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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Starry-Eyed Digression

OUR attention has been drawn somewhat forcibly to a film currently showing in the Colony which is belated, threatening, even aggressive in the words of its own makers. It is no gentle reflection on life in rustic Russia, or of comradeship on a collective farm and it is doubtful whether it would even rank a mention in a United States Information Service report to Washington. Yet in large block capitals the advertisements proclaim "It'll knock out both your eyes". This threat possibly stems from the fact that the film is in one more dimension than we are accustomed to, but from the still photographs of the leading lady it would seem that the same threat to our eyes is none the less apparent in two dimensions. This makes the word "It" in the above affirmation somewhat ambiguous, to say the least. Is it after all the film that will cause the damage or a certain striking phenomenon featuring in this film which poses the threat? Further, the emphasis given to the words "Both eyes" is amusing. One inference is that a lesser personage than Miss Russell would "knock out" only one eye. The sceptics, of course, may well say, "Eye Wonder". Readers may regard our comment as frivolous in the light of the grave problems which are aligned on the political horizon of today, but what is more important, the Geneva conference and the hypothetical use of the Hydrogen bomb, or the threat of imminent blindness to a good proportion of our residents? Moreover, the grave problems of the world are in perpetuity whereas this question is ephemeral.

It is only an academic question at this stage as to whether the film under discussion would actually involve the loss of the eyes or whether it would only cause strain or leave the eyeballs dangling from the sockets. But certainly the eyes will be affected in some way. We note that special glasses are obtainable for the 3D version (is this sufficient protection?) but surely there is another consideration: insurance. We may assume the particular personality of Miss Russell is insured in the same way as the legs of Miss Marlene Dietrich or Miss Betty Grable. However there is no suggestion that the innocent audience (who attend in good faith) will receive any consideration in respect of damaged eyes caused at some stage during the film. Intending viewers would therefore be well advised to make certain their policies cover this particular contingency and that the Boy is waiting outside the theatre at the end of the performance with a white stick and a trusty Alsatian trained in leading the blind. Wives may be justifiably sceptical at the implausible excuses of a husband returning either with two "shiners" or his eyes badly bloodshot pleading he has only been to see a film. But then he has only himself to blame for that.

Chaplain To The Queen Inherits Legacy

Boston, Mass., Apr. 26. Canon Charles E. Raven, Chaplain to Queen Elizabeth, has been left a life income in the will of his 80-year-old millionaire wife, who died 20 days after they were married. The life income was contained in a codicil to the will, signed by Mrs. Ethel Aine Moore Raven on March 10, 17 days before she died in Cambridge, England, on April 6. It was disclosed here today.

Her marriage to Canon Raven took place on March 24 last at Trinity Church here. In her will, Mrs. Raven stated that she was making her last will, "in contemplation of my approaching marriage to Canon Charles E. Raven of Cambridge, England."

The remainder of her fortune went to relatives—China Mail Special.

Anglo-Franco-Soviet Pacts The Cornerstones Of European Security

MALENKOV'S DECLARATION

Russia Has No Desire To Isolate U.S. UNITY WITH COMMUNIST CHINA EMPHASISED

Moscow, Apr. 26.

Mr Georgi Malenkov, the Soviet Prime Minister, declared in a surprise speech here today that the cornerstones of European security were the Anglo-Soviet pact of 1942 and the Franco-Soviet pact of 1944.

They were sealed with the blood of the best sons of the Russian, British and French people, he declared.

"Speaking to the Council of Nationalities, one of the Supreme Soviet's two chambers, he said the organisers of the European Defence Pact were determined to undermine the real meaning of the Soviet pacts with Britain and France.

"Surely it is pure hypocrisy to say that EDC is founded on peaceful and not aggressive aims," he stated.

"We do not want to isolate the United States from Europe," he declared. "We see no obstacle in the way of the United States signing a collective security pact for Europe and in its turn the Soviet Government has already announced its readiness to talk about joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation under similar conditions."

(Russia's offer to discuss joining NATO and the possibility of America joining an all-Europe defence alliance was set out in a note to the Big Three on April 1. The Atlantic Council, political executive of the North Atlantic Pact, last Thursday voted in favour of a Western draft reply rejecting Russian membership of NATO.)

Mr Malenkov warned that aggressive use of atomic weapons would "lead inescapably to the downfall of the capitalist social system."

The speech, made shortly before the Foreign Ministers conference opened at Geneva, came without warning and there were few Western diplomats in the gallery to hear him.

"It is clear to everyone that it is impossible to achieve a further lessening of international tension if a normalisation of relations between the great powers is not secured," Mr Malenkov said.

"The Soviet Government stood and stands on the conditions that the capitalist and socialist systems may fully and peacefully co-exist and economically co-operate between themselves," he declared.

AGGRESSION'S PRICE

"But if aggressive circles relying on atomic weapons should decide senselessly that they wish to test the strength and power of the Soviet Union, then there is no doubt that the aggressor would be crushed by his own weapons and that any such adventure would lead inescapably to the downfall of the capitalist social system."

The price of aggression could be seen from the lessons of history, he added. His speech contained no new proposals but was considered significant in view of the opening of the Geneva conference and because the Soviet Communist Party Secretary, Nikita Khrushchev, also chose today to deliver a major declaration before the Supreme Soviet.

"A year ago we expanded the scope of several ministries. We later discovered that this caused difficulties in the administration of undertakings, particularly when the ministries had to solve new and big tasks imposed by the party."

"Any country we have come to the conclusion that essential changes should be made in the organisation of the ministries—on condition however that the reduction of expenditure on the maintenance of state apparatus should continue."

There was prolonged applause when turning to foreign affairs Mr Malenkov declared: "The fact that the inviolable friendship between the Soviet Union, the Chinese People's Republic and the People's Democracies has become confirmed over a tremendous part of the globe is exerting great influence on the entire contemporary international state of affairs."

Mr Malenkov stated: "The vital interests of mankind demand that the problems of banning the atomic weapon should be solved."

"To render impossible the use of atomic energy—the great discovery of the human mind—for mass extermination of peaceful populations, great cities, centres of industry, culture and science: such is the task of the Soviet Government."

PRIMARY IMPORTANCE

Russia attached primary importance to the consolidation of European security, he declared. "Any European state which strives to achieve the same aim can count on the firm friendship of the Soviet Union and her sincere understanding of their national needs."

European security could be realised only by the collective security of European sovereign states—but attempts were being made "to convince us there is another way of achieving European security—through the re-creation of German militarism and the creation of a military plot comprising West Germany, France, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg."

deprived of her national armed forces. "In truth they want to see France fall prey to German vengeance."

"How did the German fascists unleash the second world war in Western Europe? They overran Denmark, Holland, Belgium and France."

"And now the organisers of EDC are leading the West German militarists along the same route. German militarism was unable to enslave France by means of war. Now the founders of EDC are determined to bring about German revenge on France without war."

The cornerstone of European security was put forward at the Berlin conference for a general European security pact of 1942 and the Franco-Soviet pact of 1944. These documents were sealed with the blood of the best sons of Soviet, British and French people.

"Now the organisers of EDC are determined to undermine the real meaning of the Anglo-Soviet and Franco-Soviet pacts. "Surely after this all the talk about EDC being founded for peaceful and not aggressive aims is nothing but hypocrisy."

Those who are reviving German militarism have in view not the interests of strengthening peace but on the contrary the undermining of European security and the preparation of a new world war."

Russia was convinced the proposal she put forward at the Berlin conference for a general European security pact could be the real basis for establishing European security. "Acceptance of the Soviet proposal answers the basic interests of peace in Europe and the national interests of the European nations."

"This applies equally to the German people. The general European security pact would be a lasting guarantee of Germany's security."

While aggressive circles are intent on perpetuating the division of Germany and turning Western Germany into a new hot bed of war, the general security pact for Europe would make possible Germany's reunification and her conversion into a peace-loving Democratic state.

NO OBSTACLE

"We have no desire to isolate the United States from Europe. We see no obstacle to the American Government's signature appearing on this pact. "In its turn the Soviet Government has expressed its willingness to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation under similar conditions."

Sea Hawk aircraft of No. 806 Squadron simultaneously fire their starter cartridges on board HMS Eagle during an exercise in the Western Mediterranean. The Eagle is now temporarily attached to the Mediterranean Fleet.—London Express.

HONGKONG GIRL'S ROMANCE

Sunderland, Apr. 26.

An Italian count and a blonde shopgirl met in a hotel here today to arrange the wedding they planned when they fell in love in Hongkong three years ago.

For on Wednesday, pretty June Blackhurst will be 21—and from to marry her fiancé, 34-year-old Count Umberto de Bedini.

Today June—"I like to call him Umbi"—caught a bus at her East Haddon home near here for Sunderland. She walked into a hotel foyer to see the Count waiting for her.

Then they disappeared to plan "a quiet wedding."

The Count met June at a party in Hongkong where he has an import-export business. At their second meeting, they became engaged.

But June's father objected to the marriage. He said June, then 18, was too young. "Wait until she is 21," he told the Count.

Count Umberto agreed.

Nine months ago, June returned to England with her mother who had been seriously ill with typhoid.

Mrs Blackhurst said that after the wedding, the couple would spend two months' honeymooning in Europe. "They will go to Rome and Umberto will introduce June to his parents," she said.

Eventually, the Count and June will live at his Hongkong home.—China Mail Special.

Harvesters Slain

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 26.

The Israeli military spokesman announced here tonight that two Syrians were killed today near the Sea of Galilee.

The incident occurred, according to the spokesman, when an Israeli patrol came across a group of Syrians who had crossed the frontier near the Lake and started to harvest on Israeli territory. As the patrol approached, fire was opened on the group which had infiltrated, as well as from Syrian positions behind the demarcation line. The two men were killed in the exchange of fire.

Another incident near the Egyptian frontier by the Gaza strip was also officially announced. Egyptian ports opened fire when an Israeli patrol passed by on a tour of inspection. No casualties were reported.—France-Press.

US Seeking British And Empire Military Aid For Indo-China

OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Apr. 26.

America is trying to get British and Empire backing for plans which would allow direct military help to be given the French in Indo-China if this becomes necessary.

These American plans involve the immediate establishment of a Pacific Defence Pact. It would stipulate that an attack on one member would be an attack on all.

Mr Eden had talks on this American proposal with the Foreign Ministers of Canada, Australia and New Zealand in Geneva today.

The Empire Big Four are urging Mr Dulles to go slow. They believe the military situation in Indo-China isn't so bleak as the Americans and French fear.

Against this background of diplomatic activity the East-West conference opened in Geneva with the aim of bringing peace both to Indo-China and Korea.

As spokesmen of 19 nations filed into the green and bronze conference room and sat under a painting depicting the unity of man, important speeches were made by President Eisenhower and Mr Malenkov in Washington and Moscow.

Mr Eisenhower said this is a time of great decisions with the outcome in Indo-China carrying the "greatest significance for the United States."

Mr Malenkov spoke of the "solidarity" between Russia and Communist China and said they were on guard against "enemies now trying to extend the war in Indo-China."

MOLOTOV CRIES OFF

Geneva, Apr. 26.

M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, called a meeting of the "Big Four" tonight to discuss Indo-China but when the three Western Ministers met they were greeted with a message from the Soviet Foreign Minister saying "very sorry but I have another engagement."

M. Bidault, who called the meeting at his lakeside villa here was under the firm impression that Mr Vyacheslav Molotov had earlier accepted his invitation, conference sources said.

M. Bidault, anxious to start the negotiations for restoring peace in Indo-China which are to form the second part of the conference here, sought the meeting to discuss membership of the Indo-China talks and the procedure for convening them. "This was left when the 'Big Four' agreed in Berlin 'last February to call the Geneva meeting."

In view of Mr Molotov's failure to attend tonight's preliminary consultations, the three Western Ministers had a general discussion lasting more than an hour on the critical French situation in North Indo-China, the sources said.

They also discussed the appeal made by M. Bidault only a few hours earlier, to the Communists to permit the evacuation under Red Cross rules of the wounded from the

Carrier Planes In Exercise



Rita Regains Custody Of Her 2 Children

New York, Apr. 26.

Film star Rita Hayworth today regained custody of her two children, placed in the care of a court last week, pending a hearing of neglect charges against her.

A judge at the children's court here formally ordered that the two children should be returned. Miss Hayworth had taken them to an hotel on her return today from a holiday in Florida with her husband, crooner Dick Haymes.

Miss Hayworth, Mr Haymes and Rebecca Welles, 8, daughter by her marriage to film actor Orson Welles, walked to the court for private talks with the judge.

Back at their hotel room, Prince Aly Khan, played with four-year-old Yamin, the daughter of his marriage to Miss Hayworth.

He flew in today from Los Angeles to see his daughter and ex-wife before a hearing of the neglect charges.

Prince Aly said on his arrival that he hoped to reach some agreement on the custody of Yamin.

MAKES OFFER

(In Madrid, Orson Welles said he was willing to look after both children and had been in touch with his New York lawyer about the case. He said it came as a surprise as Miss Hayworth has always been a fond mother.)

Judge George Smyth, who ruled the children should be returned to their mother, told reporters the complaint did not allege wilful neglect on the part of the mother and said no evidence had been produced to show that Miss Hayworth was not a proper guardian.

He noted that a former husband, Mr. Orson Welles, had said "she was a loving and devoted mother."

Mr Smyth announced his decision after a lengthy conference with Miss Hayworth, her sister husband, and lawyers.

He said: "The matter has been settled. "Attorneys now are preparing their stipulations, which will recognise that circumstances arose which fully justified the Westchester County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children in bringing the children under the care and protection of the court."

"These conditions have been rectified through the co-operation of the parties and their attorneys,"—Reuter.

Mortar Explodes, Kills Five

Paris, Apr. 26.

Five French soldiers were killed and several others seriously injured when a mortar exploded during manoeuvres in south-west France today.—France-Press.

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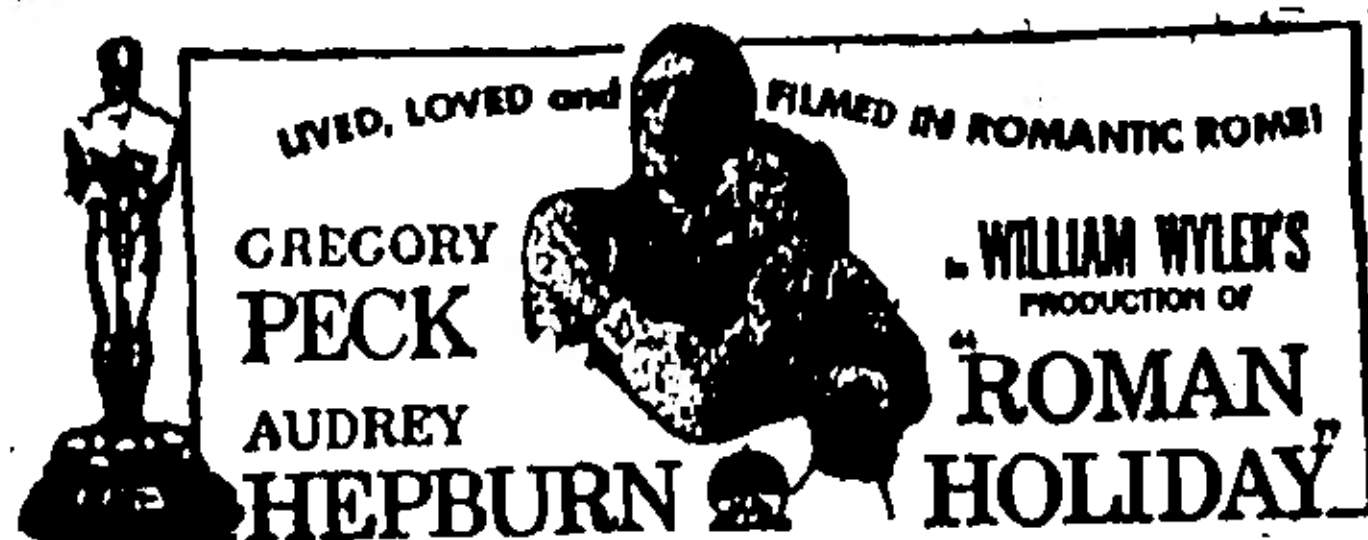
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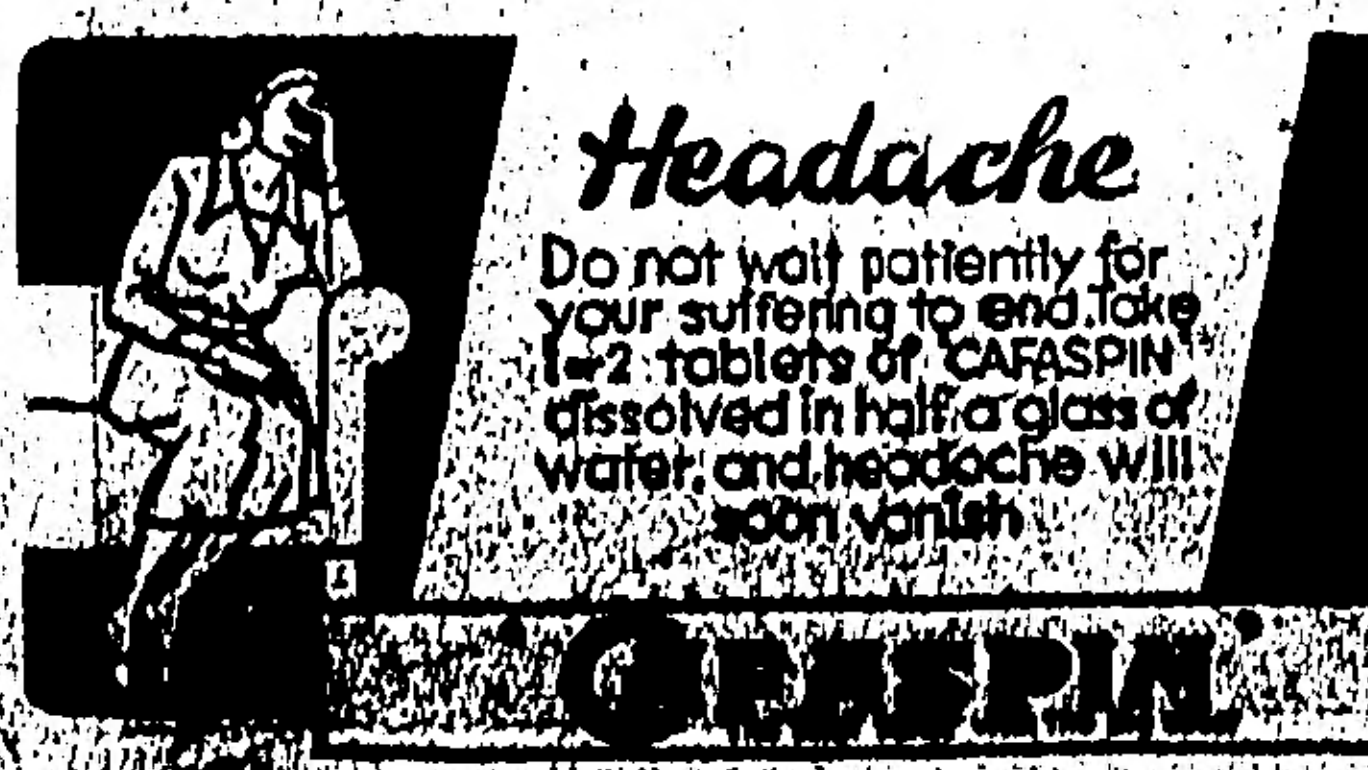


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ASIAN SECURITY TO BE DISCUSSED

Five Premiers To Meet In Ceylon Tomorrow

Colombo, Apr. 26.

Five Asian Prime Ministers meeting here on Wednesday face the problem of how to prevent Asia becoming a major battleground for opposing world blocs according to observers.

They were originally invited to talk over the mutual problems of their countries—India, Pakistan, Burma, Indonesia and Ceylon. But now the Indo-China war is fast moving to a climax and much of their discussion will be devoted to means of preventing a major Asian flare-up.

The Premiers will discuss a non-aggression and non-intervention pact among the Five Powers.

They are also expected to make up their minds about the Indian Premier Mr. Nehru's five-point plan for a cease-fire and peace settlement in Indo-China which the Indian Prime Minister outlined to the Indian Lower House on Saturday.

The five Prime Ministers taking part in the conference set the tone for the talks in messages published today in a new monthly journal Janta which claims to represent the Asian viewpoint on world affairs.

The Burmese Prime Minister Mr. U. Nu said the first duties of the countries of Asia was to save world peace.

Mr. Nehru of India said the hydrogen bomb was the ultimate symbol of violence. If that symbol represented the spirit of the age, there was little to hope for.

Mr. Nehru added: "In the world there is much shouting about freedom, liberty, equality and democracy—all good objectives—but people seek to obtain these objectives through methods of hatred and violence."

PEACE, PROGRESS

Dr. All Sastroamidjojo of Indonesia said: "Let us people of Africa and Asia determine and follow our own course towards peace, progress, prosperity and future happiness."

Mr. Mohamed Ali of Pakistan referred to the community of interests among the Southeast Asian countries and said: "It should be our constant endeavour to further strengthen these ties."

The host, Sir John Kotelawala of Ceylon emphasised the need for Asian countries to have more outlets like the journal to express their own view on international questions.

[In New Delhi an External Affairs Ministry spokesman denied reports that the five countries had tentatively agreed a plan to solve the Indo-China problem. There had been no exchange of views before the conference.]

Controversial subjects like the future of Kashmir and the United States aid to Pakistan would not be discussed.

[At Calcutta airport, en route for Colombo, the Burmese Prime Minister Mr. U. Nu said his country did not favour a non-aggression and non-intervention pact. If it were on the agenda he would have to consult a full cabinet meeting in Rangoon before committing his country, he added.]—Reuter.

Two Ministerial Secretaries, Mr. Chelo Djan and Mr. Attah Menash, were each sentenced to two years' imprisonment on February 9 for accepting bribes from contractors.

The report said money had been paid to Government officials by Mr. Eddie E. Chapman, a wartime espionage agent who was recently employed in the Gold Coast representing a European firm.—China Mail Special.

He Was Under The Car

Hastings, N.Z., Apr. 26.

Tripping blithely out of her home at Hastings, Mrs. Richard Bevan stepped into the family car and drove off, not knowing that her husband was working underneath.

He was dragged down the gravel drive and suffered a fractured spine, internal injuries, and extensive abrasions. He went to hospital in a serious condition.—China Mail Special.

Eddie Chapman Named In Bribery Report

Accra, Gold Coast, Apr. 27.

The Ministerial Secretary at the Ministry of Justice, Mr. Krobo Edusei, has been dismissed following publication of the report of a commission inquiring into bribery charges concerning Gold Coast Government contracts.

His conduct fell below any reasonable standard for men in the public service, the report said.

The commission, set up to inquire into the resignation of the Minister of Communications and Works, Mr. J. A. Braimah, said it was primarily the "fear of exposure" which had led him to leave his post. The commission said he had accepted £2,000 from a contractor, and must have known the money was given to him to influence him in his official duties.

The commission report cleared the Gold Coast Premier, Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, of allegations of acceptance of bribes or improper conduct in connection with four Government contracts. "In each case, we find that there was no justification for the allegation," it stated.

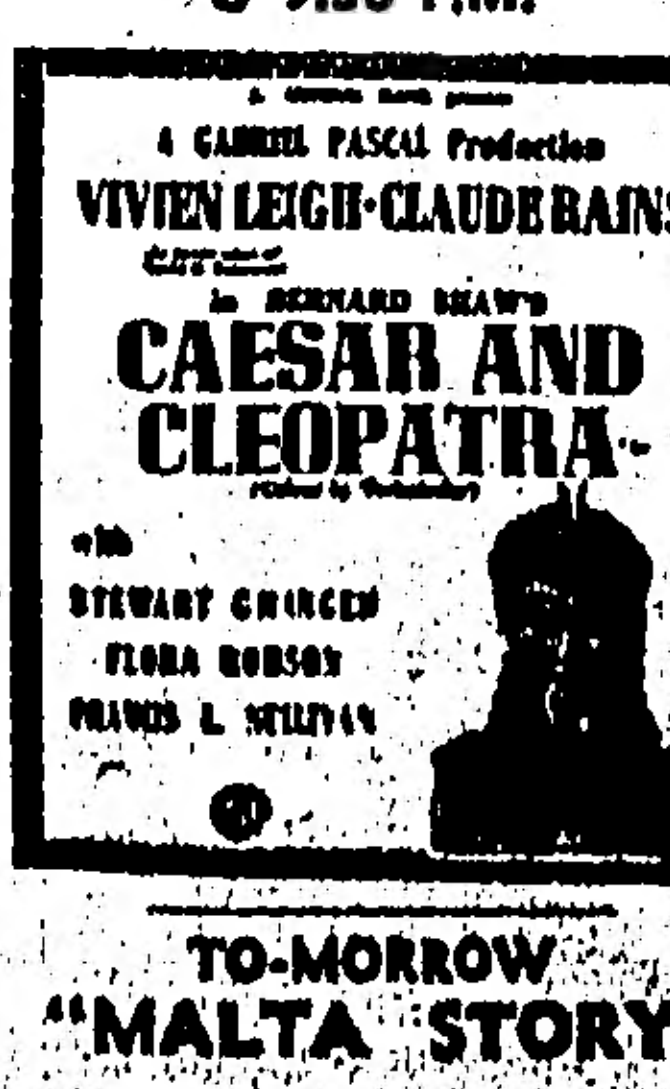
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More "Scotch" Exported

London, Apr. 26.

A record total of 3,318,027 gallons of Scotch whiskey worth £95,520,080 was exported in the first quarter of this year. Shipments were 125,720 gallons higher than in the same period of last year, the Scotch Whiskey Association announced.

The United States remained the biggest single market but exports there showed a slight decrease—1,064,718 gallons worth £24,618,315 against 1,075,457 gallons worth £24,570,000 in the first quarter of last year.—China Mail Special.

Nationalists Still Active In Burma

Bangkok, Apr. 26.

About 1,500 Nationalist Chinese are still operating in Palu, four miles south of Myawadi and three miles south-west of the Tak border town of Mae.

Making this announcement the Burmese Ambassador, U Pe Kin, said that Burma was informed by the Joint Military Committee that the troops had indicated that they wished to withdraw.

He said that Burmese troops had been ordered to withhold fire but that there was no indication the Chinese troops had withdrawn or intended to do so.

The Burmese Ambassador said that in the recent fighting near Myawadi Chinese troops were taken prisoner and the bodies of others were found on the battlefield.

U Pe Kin said that a number of Chinese troops driven by Burmese troops across the Thai border from the Burmese town of Pangphayek were driven back into Burmese territory by Thai army units.

He said he had sought the assistance of the Thai authorities to try and disarm the fleeing Chinese troops rather than drive them back into Burma.

The Ambassador said that attacking Burmese troops had found underground bunkers at Pangphayek, indicating that the Chinese troops intended to stay in Burma.

He also disclosed that two brand new howitzers were among the weapons captured in the Pangphayek fighting.

One thousand new uniforms were also found. Other weapons captured included heavy machine-guns and artillery pieces.—United Press.

500,000 Casualties If US Intervened

Washington, Apr. 26.

Senator Edwin Johnson (Democrat, Colorado) said today that the United States should intervene in Indo-China would mean "at the very minimum" half a million American casualties.

He declared in a speech prepared for delivery in the Senate: "This present crusade to send troops to Indo-China with its uncalculated cost for an uncalculated result is the most foolhardy venture in all American history."

"Five hundred thousand American casualties" is a staggering contribution to ask American mothers to make for an uncalculated risk.

Senator Johnson added: "Such a war could last 10 years or it could touch off and spark a world war that would have to be fought for 100 years without victory."

"It could drive the brown and Malay races into the arms of the Communists in a solid front against the white race in a death struggle which eventually would destroy all civilisation."—Reuter.

Russia Wants Red China To Be Present

Talks On Pollution Of The Sea

London, Apr. 26.

Shipping experts from 30 nations including Japan tonight wired their governments for instructions on whether Communist China should be invited to attend their talks here on oil pollution of the sea.

The leader of the Soviet delegation, Mr. A. S. Bogdanov, proposed at the opening session of the conference that the Chinese People's Republic should be asked to join the talks as one of the foremost maritime nations.

He claimed that resolutions and decisions would be useless if no Chinese representative was present. As a nation with an extensive coastline, China was interested in the conference.

The leader of the Polish delegation, Mr. Rudolph Heller who seconded, said many British businessmen were having trade talks with Chinese representatives.

"Trade cannot be realised other than by shipping," he said. "We must support strongly sending an invitation to the Chinese Republic."

When delegates were asked to vote, Admiral H.C. Sheppard, United States delegation leader, said his party had no instructions about the proposal. He said he would like "to take advice."

RUSSIA OBJECTS

The British delegation leader Sir Gilmour Jenkins, who is presiding over the fortnight-long talks, suggested that delegates should seek advice from their Governments about "this problem."

But Mr. Bogdanov objected. He insisted that the question should be settled immediately.

The meeting, however, passed a resolution that they should ask their Governments for advice. A plenary session to discuss the Russian proposal will be held when they have been told what action to take.

Britain has called the conference because oil pollution is spoiling her beaches and killing many sea birds.

Russia's decision to attend the talks, which came as a surprise to Western nations, is interpreted here as another example of her present willingness to take part in international discussions.

Countries attending the talks include most European nations, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Ceylon, Japan, New Zealand, and Venezuela. Eleven others have sent observers.—Reuter.

Fellow PoW To Witness Against Dickenson

Washington, Apr. 26.

The prosecution hoped to wind up today its attempt to prove that Corporal Edward S. Dickenson collaborated with the Communists and informed on fellow prisoners in North Korea.

Martin Christensen of Hammond, Indiana, was scheduled as the first witness as the court martial of the Crackers Neck, Virginia, mountain boy entered its second week.

Christensen joined Dickenson and two other prisoners in an escape attempt in July, 1952. They got outside the prison on a dark and rainy night but were recaptured, barely a mile away, the next morning.

The prosecution charges that Dickenson, for the purpose of securing favourable treatment, reported to enemy officials that Christensen had in his possession a pistol and that as a result Christensen was gaoled and repeatedly beaten by the enemy.—United Press.

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SOUTH KOREA'S LIKELY MOVE AT GENEVA

Free Seats At The Opera For Old Couples

Berlin, Apr. 26. West Berlin couples who reach their diamond (60 years) or "iron" jubilee (105 years or over) now receive two free seats to the city opera house as well as a special greetings message from the city Government.

They are driven to the opera and home in city cars.

Any couple unable to go to the opera receives a food parcel instead.—China Mail Special.

Governor's Pledge To Voters

No Bullying Or Bustling

Belize, Apr. 26. The Governor of British Honduras, Mr. P. M. Rendell, today promised the people of this Caribbean Colony that their vote in Wednesday's first general election would be absolutely secret. He also said they would not "be molested or hustled or bullied" at the polls.

Mr. Rendell appealed for a big turnout of voters and promised election winners "all help". He was making a broadcast to the Colony which was expected to delay a mass rally planned for the same time by the People's United Party (PUP).

He also asked for an election "without emotionalism or disturbances".

All parties had the chance to put their cases fairly, he said. "I want the result to represent the real wishes of the whole country, not just the wishes of part," he added.

WHISPERS

Mr. Rendell's broadcast followed a reported whispering campaign by PUP that ballots might be traced back to the voter.

"You will not be molested or hustled or bullied when you go to the polls to record your vote," the Governor said. "We have every intention of enforcing them."

With only three days to go before the first elections in this Caribbean Colony under universal adult suffrage, the PUP, a Catholic and anti-Communist organisation, was predicting victory.

Its candidates are opposed by the moderate National Party and affiliated independents.—China Mail Special.

AT GENEVA To Appeal For "Liberation" Of The North

WEST'S OPENING GAMBIT

Geneva, Apr. 26. South Korea is expected to appeal for the "liberation" of the northern part of Korea when the Geneva Far East conference gets down to business tomorrow. A North Korean statement is expected afterwards.

The conference was opened today by representatives of 19 nations at a 20-minute closed session. Tomorrow it will start its search for an agreed political settlement in Korea. The Indo-China issue is also before the conference.

The South Korean appeal tomorrow is expected to come from her Foreign Minister Mr. Pyung Yung Tai. North Korea is still under Communist control after three years of bitter warfare which South Korea would have liked to continue in a bid to reunite the country under its own administration.

It is thought no other nation had informed the chairman of its wish to speak but the Soviet spokesman announced that North Korea would follow South Korea tomorrow.

General Nam Il, the North Korean Foreign Minister, is believed to restate the Communist demand for the removal of all foreign troops from Korea and reunion of the country by the establishment of a provisional administration embracing the two present governments.

The Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Mr. Chou En-lai of China and General Nam Il were understood to have discussed tomorrow's Korean debate among other questions at a meeting here tonight.

The biggest achievement of the Geneva conference today was to get itself started. It opened moreover on time complete with an agreed chairman, working schedule and agenda.

Only a few days ago the administrative arrangements were in a state of chaos and at 10 o'clock today five hours before the meeting was due to start a feud over the chairmanship still threatened.

INGENUOUS COMPROMISE

The agreement between Mr. Eden and Mr. Molotov, the British and Soviet Foreign

Ministers, on the chairmanship question was hailed by diplomats as an extremely ingenious compromise which offended neither the feeling of the United States nor Communist China.

The big Communist states are represented by Mr. Molotov, the Western powers by Mr. Eden and the smaller nations by Prince Wan Dongsprabandh of Thailand, who was the conference's first chairman today.

The important thing for Mr. Eden is that he will not now be called upon to sit under the control of either Mr. Chou En-lai or General Nam Il, the Communist Chinese and North Korean Foreign Ministers—a prospect to which he had held the strongest objections.

The administrative arrangements agreed to at today's opening session will not apply to the second part of the conference, which will aim at ending the seven-year-old conflict in Indo-China.

The composition of this part of the meeting, which may start in about a fortnight's time, will probably have only Britain, France, the United States, Russia and China as common members.

Final attendance has still to be agreed but the three Associated States of Indo-China—Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia are expected to be represented together with delegates from the Vietnamese.

Another point agreed between Mr. Eden and Mr. Molotov—and subsequently endorsed by the conference—was that the official conference languages should be English, French, Russian, Chinese and Korean.

Mr. Eden and Mr. Richard Casey, Australian Minister for External Affairs, conferred tonight on the military situation in Indo-China.

They met in Mr. Eden's riverside hotel and talked for about half an hour. They also discussed the events of the first day of the conference on Korea.

CHURCHILL'S PHONE CALL

In London the Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill this afternoon conferred with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, by long-distance telephone.

Sir Winston Churchill will probably report on his conversation to the next Cabinet meeting on Wednesday at No. 10 Downing Street.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will continue to direct the Foreign Office while away in Geneva, the Foreign Office announced today.

In practice, however, the various departments will be run by the Minister of State, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, assisted by two Parliamentary Under-Secretaries of State, Mr. Anthony Nutting and Mr. Arthur Dods Parker.—Reuter and France-Press.

Lyttelton Off To Uganda

London, Apr. 26. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, left London airport today for Entebbe, Uganda, to await the arrival there of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh returning home from their Commonwealth tour.

Mr. Lyttelton said he expected to spend some 14 days in Uganda and Nyasaland.—Reuter.



Lord Buddha's Birthday

9,000 Paratroopers Take Part In Big US Atom Exercise

Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Apr. 26.

Nine thousand paratroopers jumped into an "atomised" battle zone today in the biggest mass troop drop since the Rhineland assault of World War II. This was America's first large-scale manoeuvre in atomic warfare.

Air Force C-119s roared over the drop area in continuous waves as the paratroopers, carrying geiger counters and swathed in protective clothing, dropped into the skies over the Camp Mackall area, where three simulated atomic bombs had been exploded on "aggressor" forces.

The Army Chief of Staff, General Matthew Ridgway, was present with other Pentagon officials and Congressmen to watch the exercise which is named "Exercise Flash Burn."

The first wave of 18th Airborne Corps troops jumped into the simulated drop zone 40 minutes after the simulated atomic explosions. Ombulous-looking but harmless "mushrooms" of smoke were drifting down the pines as they floated down.

The drops originally were scheduled for dawn but were postponed until 10 a.m. because of rainy weather. However, the skies were sunny and warm when the huge jump began.

The drops were on an hourly schedule but, because of their size, the skies over the drop area were almost constantly dotted with the chutes of descending paratroopers. Officers said all units participating were observing "maximum safety precautions".

Hundreds of tons of jeeps, trucks, guns and other heavy equipment also were dropped by parachute in today's manoeuvre.

Air Force units were co-operating in the exercise while conducting their own manoeuvres to provide air cover, move troops and test mobility.

Today's big drop was the initial operation of the second phase of the exercise.

Two paratroopers were killed and four were injured critically when the 82nd Airborne Division staged a mass jump of 8,000 troops here last March 11. Army officials reported that 27 other troops suffered "medium" injuries and 41 "minor" in the drop.—United Press.

Big Haul In Mau Mau Round-Up

Nairobi, Apr. 26. The Kenya Government announced tonight that 200 active Mau Mau had so far been identified in last weekend's mass screening of Africans in Nairobi.

Those identified included two oath administrators, 20 gunmen, six "judges", two Mau Mau "committee members", four "intelligence officers", nine "treasurers", one "courier", nine "officials" and 129 Mau Mau "Askaris" (sentries and guards).

The weekend's sweep of African quarters—"Operation Anvil"—was carried out by a British, Asian and African security force some 8,000 strong.

More than 12,000 African men were screened and 8,320 detained as suspects.

The operation was planned to rid the city of Mau Mau and undercover agents.—Reuter.

Back And Forth They Go For A Glimpse Of The Royal Children

Valetta, Malta, Apr. 26. Prince Charles and Princess Anne, playing under the quarterdeck awning of the Royal yacht Britannia this morning, acknowledged waves from passengers in passing ferries.

Some people have been travelling back and forth across the harbour hours to catch a glimpse of the children.

Salvors have almost finished painting the yacht's buff funnel. And the glistering hull reflects the image of a security patrol launch moving slowly round her.

Members of the crew have already been invited to visit the local brewery which has sent supplies of locally brewed beer aboard.

Some Britannia sailors, it is understood, were late aboard last night due to an unofficial "strike" of water taxmen who boycotted naval personnel in favour of high-paying tourists from the S.S. Argentina. They are now ferrying sailors as usual.—Reuter.

A Buddhist monk summons the faithful to prayer at the Gokokuji Temple during the celebrations in Japan of the birthday of Shakyamuni, the Lord Buddha. Dressed in the costumes of ancient days, devout Buddhists paraded through the streets of Tokyo, and later participated in a ceremony at the Gokokuji Temple in Kojikawa, a suburb of Tokyo.—Express Photo.

H-Bomb Fears

"A Sign Of Hysteria"

London, Apr. 26.

The British Home Secretary, Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, said tonight that to suppose one hydrogen bomb could kill everyone in Britain was a sign of ignorance, hysteria and panic.

"I do not believe the H-bomb has brought war one day nearer—I believe the contrary," he said opening a civil defence training and social centre at Oldham, Lancashire.

It was vital that the United States should not cast away the superior deterrent strength the H-bomb had given her.

Expressions such as "ban the bomb" were meaningless, unless there was a system to detect evasion and enforced compliance.

All attempts made to reach some form of agreement on that basis had hitherto been frustrated one after another by the Soviet veto.

With the far-reaching effect of the H-bomb, the relative immunity of Soviet territory had decreased, and there might now be some disposition on the part of Russia to join with the rest of the world in coming to an agreement.

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An American Accomplishment

Washington, Apr. 26. Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, the United States delegate to the United Nations, said today one of the American accomplishments of the past year had been to keep Communist China out of the world organisation.

"I think we are going to continue to keep them out," he told a Senate Appropriations Subcommittee.—Reuter.

Formosa Police Declare Leaflet War On Prostitution

Taipei, Apr. 26.

The Provincial Government in Formosa has undertaken a desperate, last-ditch propaganda war against rapidly expanding prostitution.

Alarmed by the increasing number of almond-eyed beauties flocking into Taipei's red light district, harassed police have announced a campaign which is intended to appeal to the better side of the girls.

Police Commissioner Yang Chih-hau, under heavy fire from lady members of the City Council, is rushing the printing of thousands of posters, which are to be tacked on walls and lamp posts throughout the district.

"Prostitution is illegal," the signs will announce. "Go to the Police and you will be protected."

By this programme the Police hope to persuade the girls to flee the iron grip of the "madams" and head for home or turn to legitimate occupations.

The campaign has brought to light, again, the tragic but age-old Oriental custom of selling daughters into prostitution. It is a habit, the Chinese claim, the Formosans picked up from the Japanese.

Regarded as practically worthless, daughters are often sold by families. Becoming the property of the buyer, these girls are put to various uses. Prostitution is one of them.

CONSIDERABLE PROFITS

An ambitious owner can sometimes pull together as many as 25 of these helpless girls. The profits, since no salary is involved, are considerable.

The Formosan police point out that most of the girls who find their way into the red light districts are from rural areas with little education. Their knowledge of the law is nil.

Caught in the owner's web, these girls do not realise their situation is unlawful. It is claimed, or that they have the right to quit. If they desire to do so, The owners often make matters worse by holding the girls' identification card. And without identification a Formosan can land in deep water with the Security Police who are constantly searching for Communists.

Mr Charles Wilson Reports "Great Progress" In New American Military Programme

Washington, Apr. 26.

The American Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles Wilson, disclosed today that the "new look" study of America's defence had been completed. He said it had led to "great and encouraging progress" in the military programme.

Addressing the United States Chamber of Commerce at its annual meeting, Mr Wilson recounted his announcement of a year ago that the new Joint Chiefs of Staff were to "take a new look at the entire defence picture" beginning last summer.

"I can now say without reservation that this intensive study has been made and that great and encouraging progress has resulted from the re-examination and re-orientation of our military programme," Mr Wilson said.

"I do not claim that all the inefficiencies and waste in our defence activities have been eliminated or that all of our objectives will shortly be achieved," he added.

"Improvement must be a continuing process," Mr Wilson said that among basic concepts involved in the new programme were taking into "full account" the nation's atomic weapons arsenal, emphasis on new weapons including airpower with a resulting saving in manpower and top mobility by the armed forces which required "the re-assembly of our strategic reserve force as dictated by world conditions."

GREATEST ARMY

"The next few months are obviously critical ones in world affairs and what happens in Europe and Asia during this period may force a soul-searching review of our specific policies, plans, objectives and expenditures."

A Defence Department budget of \$22,080,706,500 (£10,243,109,500) was recommended today by the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee with \$7,616,923,800 (£2,719,829,040) earmarked to finance the greatest Army ever maintained by the United States on a full year basis in the absence of actual warfare.

The total was \$1,206,349,500 (£430,838,750) less than President Eisenhower had asked for the Army, Navy, Air Force, and related activities for the fiscal year starting July 1.

But the cut imposed by the Committee in a bill sent to the house for debate starting on Wednesday was actually less than had been requested by the Committee. It was about \$541 million (£193,214,300), the balance of the reduction having been volunteered by the armed services or being in the nature of bookkeeping savings.

For the financial year starting next July US\$80,874,000,000, representing this year's budget plus appropriations voted during the previous year and not yet used, if the new budget is given final Congressional approval.

CREDIT DETAILS

The details of the credits approved by the Committee are as follows:

TANKS—The sum provided is US\$59,476,000 less than the sum proposed by President Eisenhower and lower than the sum voted for 1954. The strength of the Army will be 1,308,600 men. Credits for scientific

NAVY AND MARINE CORPS—US\$80,705,818,500, which is US\$895,477,000 less than the credits requested by the Administration. This budget is higher by more than \$25,000,000 over the current year's budget. These credits are to allow the maintenance of 1,080 ships in service and 1,400 in the reserve. The construction of 30 new ships, including a fourth Forrestal type aircraft-carrier and a third atomic submarine is also provided for.

The Naval Air Force will include 9,841 aircraft. The Marine Corps will be composed of three divisions and three air squadrons. Appropriation for research will amount to US\$419,874,000. Strength of personnel will be 712,400 men for the Navy and 220,000 men for the Marine Corps.

AIR FORCE—US\$10,800,810,000, representing a US\$30,000,000 cut on credits requested by the Administration. This budget is slightly smaller than that of the current year.—France-Press.

Japanese Want Iranian Oil

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

Japan plans to start formal negotiations with Iran next month for 1,250,000 tons of petroleum under a \$62,000,000 barter agreement, reliable sources said today.

This is one of the first steps in a more vigorous policy of trade expansion through bilateral barter trade negotiated by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

The programme is expected to result in a substantial increase in Japan's trade with Communist China and Russia as well.

Japan had limited barter trade in the past to hard currency countries and only when it was considered necessary to develop new markets or keep the trade of any one country.

Sources in Tokyo said that the Foreign Office counsellor Mr Mitsuo Tanaka was in Tehran conducting preliminary negotiations with the Iranian Government on the Japanese proposal.

How Britain or the British-owned Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, which claims ownership of the Iranian oil under concession rights subsequently set aside by a controversial Iranian Government order, will react was still a question.

NO COMMENT

The Foreign Office had no comment on the report and would only say "some such move is being planned."

Sources in Tokyo said Japan hoped to sell cotton cloth and spindles to Iran as its chief items of trade and to import crude oil and raw cotton from that country.

The sources here said, however, that the Tokyo Government would consult London before taking any final action on this plan.

They said that Japan hoped to obtain Chilean saltpetre, soybeans, raw hides, resin, potassium salts, non-ferrous metals and ores, livestock and fire-proof materials under the expanded barter programme.

Japan's barter trade in the financial year 1953 was \$15,000,000 but officials hoped to increase this to \$100,000,000 this year, the sources said.—United Press.

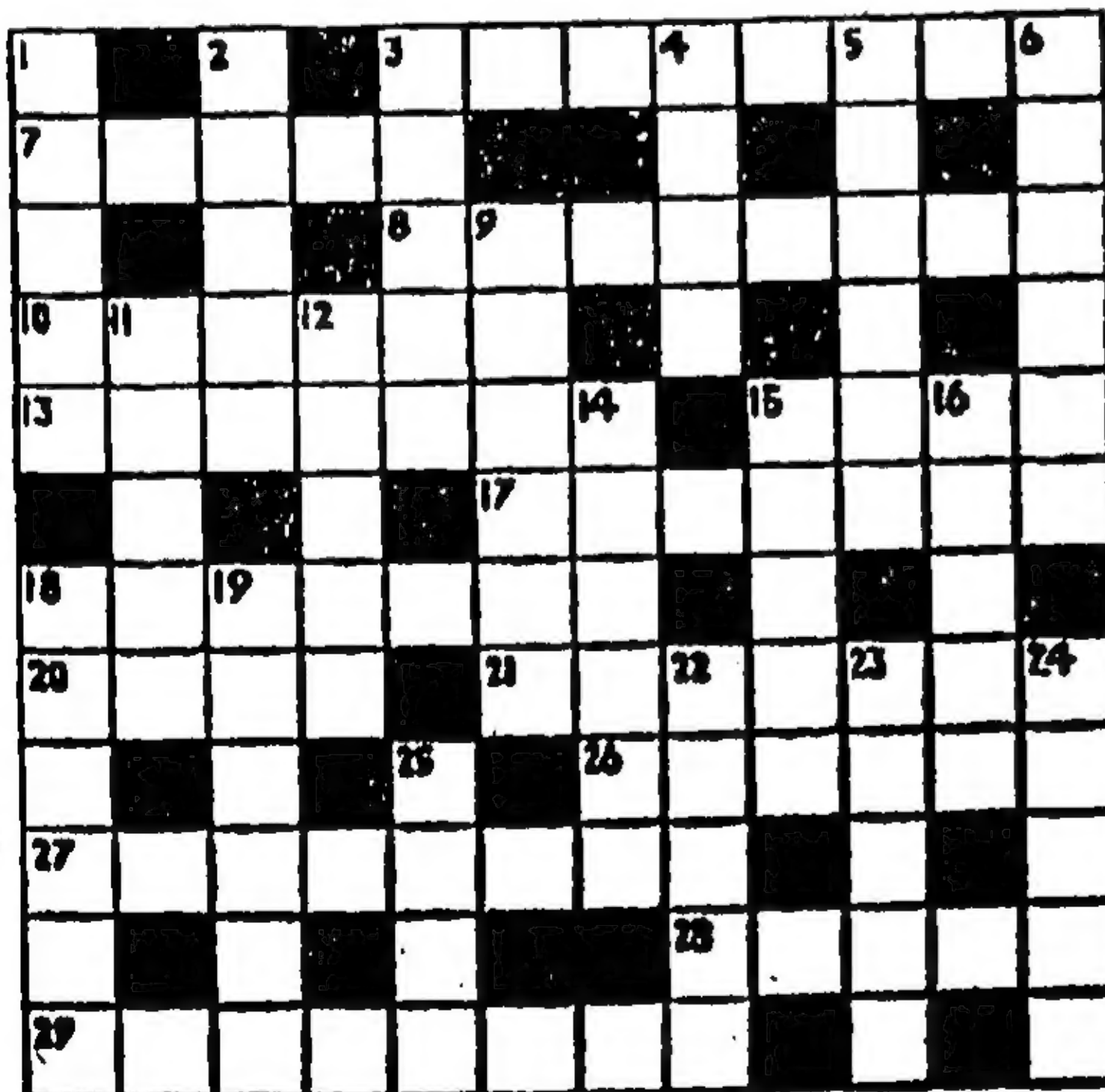
More Vietminh Give Blood

Hanoi, Apr. 26.

The French Command said today that 214 more Vietminh prisoners of war and inmates in a camp near Saigon had given their blood for transfusion to French Union wounded to express their gratitude for good treatment in the camps.

Seventy others gave blood a week ago, it was stated.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 3 Pastor (8).
 - 7 Sham (5).
 - 8 Criminal (8).
 - 10 Middle (6).
 - 12 Landed property (7).
 - 13 Chert (4).
 - 17 Diminutive (7).
 - 18 Hosted (7).
 - 20 Watches (4).
 - 21 Ultra-Liberal (7).
 - 22 Vehement speech (6).
 - 23 Member of audience (8).
 - 24 Subject (5).
 - 25 Mirth (8).
- DOWN**
- 1 Ludicrous situation (5).
 - 2 Haggard (5).
 - 3 Brief (5).
 - 4 Victim (4).
 - 5 East (6).
 - 6 Constraint (8).
 - 9 Antenna (8).
 - 11 Composition (5).
 - 12 Weeds (5).
 - 14 Sober (6).
 - 15 On the move (5).
 - 16 Massage (6).
 - 18 Confidence (6).
 - 19 Ship (6).
 - 20 Uneaten (5).
 - 21 Ant (6).
 - 22 Uniform (6).
 - 23 Expensive (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Hubbub, 5. Serfs, 8. Saved, 9. Laurel, 10. Elder, 11. Slate, 12. Milan, 13. Hosts, 14. Ascent, 15. Trepid, 20. Evens, 22. Term, 23. Tubor, 25. Minion, 26. Hailin, 27. Cedar, 28. Mores, 29. Lensed, Down: 1. Helpmate, 2. Brunette, 3. Uses, 4. Dallest, 5. Seethed, 6. Edison, 7. Fleet, 14. Stresses, 15. Summoned, 16. Assumes, 17. Several, 18. Entice, 21. Voice, 24. Rare.

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The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association is entering another year in the war against tuberculosis. In this great work, the Colony is taking its part with many other nations, in the universal effort to stay the heavy wastage of human lives exacted by this grim scourge. Scientists, doctors and others specialising in the treatment of tuberculosis throughout the world have made great discoveries during the last few years, and the fruits of their labours are being made available to sufferers from this disease here in Hongkong, through The Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Unfortunately, statistics show that the incidence of tuberculosis in Hongkong is more wide-spread than in any other part of the world.

This grim fact does not dishearten the H.K.A.-T.B.A. because it is constantly fortified in the knowledge that, from the generous support given by Government, charitably-minded bodies and merchant houses, down to the humble worker, it is obvious that there is a common sympathetic understanding that this is a work of mercy which must continue.

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London Express Service

Concluding The Adventure Of Foulkes Rath

LONG TOM HAS HIS REVENGE

The New Exploits of Sherlock Holmes

By ADRIAN CONAN DOYLE

I HAVE seldom seen a more formidable figure than the man who stood upon the threshold. He was a giant in stature, with a breadth of shoulders that blocked the doorway and a matted tangle of red beard that hung down over his chest like the mane of a lion.

"What do you want here?" he growled.

"I presume that I have the pleasure of addressing Mister Thomas Greely," asked Holmes.

The man remained silent while he bit off a cud of chewing tobacco, his eyes roving over us in a cold stare.

"What if you have?" he said at length.

"Long Tom to your friends, I think," said Holmes quietly.

"Well, Mister Thomas Greely, it is no thanks to you that an innocent man is not called upon to pay the penalty for your own misdeeds."

For a moment the giant stood as though turned to stone and then, with the roar of a wild beast, he hurled himself on Holmes.

Holmes, I managed to seize him around the waist, and Holmes' hands were buried deep in that bristling tangle of beard, but it would have gone hard with us had not Lestrade clapped a pistol to the man's head.

At the touch of the cold steel against his temples, he ceased to struggle, and a moment later Holmes had snapped a pair of handcuffs upon his knotted wrists.

From the glare in his eyes I thought that Greely was about to attack us again, but suddenly he gave a rueful laugh and turned his bearded face towards my friend.

"I don't know who you are, mister," he said, "but it's a fair catch. So, if you'll tell me how you did it, I'll answer all your questions."

Lestrade stepped forward. "I must warn you," he began, "with the magnificent fairplay of British justice."

But our prisoner waved his words aside.

"Aye, I killed him," he growled. "I killed Bully Addleton, and now that it has come I reckon that I'll swing with an easy heart. Is that plain enough for you? Well, come inside."

He led the way into the little office and threw himself into his chair, while the rest of us accommodated ourselves as best we might.

"How did you find me, mister?" he demanded carelessly, raising his manacled hands to bite of a fresh cud of tobacco.

And even a part of the wall. Why, then, were there no stains down the front of the dressing gown worn by the man who struck that blow? Here was something inconclusive and yet troublesome.

"Next, I observed that there was no chair in the vicinity of the fireplace, where the murdered man had fallen. He had, therefore, been struck down when standing, not sitting, and yet as the blow came from the top of his skull it had been delivered from the same level, if not from above. When I learned from Mister Longton that the Squire was over six feet tall, I was left with no doubt whatever of a serious miscarriage of justice had been committed. But if not Longton, then who was the real murderer?"

"My enquiries brought to light that a letter had reached the Squire that morning, that apparently he had burnt it, and thereafter quarrelled with his nephew by proposing the sale of a farm. Squire Addleton was a wealthy man. Why, then, these periodic sales which had first commenced two years previously? The man was being heavily blackmailed."

"A lie, by God!" interrupted Greely fiercely. "He was paying back what didn't belong to him, and that's the truth."

"On examining the room," my friend continued, "I found the faint traces of a bootmark, to which I drew your attention, Lestrade, and as the weather was dry, I knew of course, that the mark had been made after the crime. The man's boot was moist because he had stepped in the blood. My lens disclosed traces of some fine powder adhering to this bootmark, and on closer examination I recognised this powder to be pine sawdust. When I found, pressed into the dried earth in the hoofs of the Squire's horse, a quantity of similar sawdust, I was able to form a fairly clear picture of the events which had occurred on the night of the crime."

The Squire, who had been subjected to the vehement protests of his nephew over the proposed sale of some valuable land, instantly mounted his horse after dinner and rode off into the darkness. Obviously, he intended to speak, perhaps appeal, to someone, and about midnight that someone comes. He is a man of lofty stature and of a strength sufficiently formidable to cleave a human skull in a single blow, and the soles of his boots are engrailed with pine-dust. There is a quarrel between the two men, perhaps a refusal to pay, a threat and, in an instant, the victim has been struck down and his murderer has fled. The man who had been paying back what didn't belong to him, and that's the truth."

"I was away up the Blue Mountains, timber cutting, and two full years passed before I heard the truth of the matter from a digger, who had it from a dying convict who had been bribed to silence."

"Addleton had made his pile and gone back to the Old Country, and I hadn't the money to follow him. From that day I wandered from job to job, always saving and planning how to find my brother's murderer, ay, murderer, may the devil roast him!"

"It was high, twenty years before I came alongside him, and that one moment repaid all my waiting."

"Morning Bully," said I. "His face went the colour of putty and the pipe dropped out of his mouth."

"Long Tom Greely!" he gasped, and I thought the man was going to faint.

"Well, we had a talk and I made him get me this job. Then I began to bleed him bit by bit. No blackmail, mister, but restitution of a dead man's goods. Two days ago, I wrote to him again and that night he rode down here, cursing and swearing that I was driving him to ruin. I told him I'd give him until midnight to

make his choice, pay or tell, and I'd call for his answer.

"He was waiting for me in the hall, mad with drink and fury, and swearing that I could go to the police or the devil for all he cared. Did I think that the word of a dirty Australian timberjack would be accepted against that of the Lord of the Manor and Justice of the Peace? He was mad to have ever paid me a penny-piece."

"I'll serve you as thoroughly as I served your worthless brother!" he yelled. It was that which did it. Something seemed to snap in my brain and, tearing down the nearest weapon from the wall, I buried it in his snarling, grinning head.

"For a moment I stood looking down at him. 'From me and Jim!' he whispered. Then I turned and ran into the night. That's my story, mister, and now I'd take it kindly if we can go before my men get back."

Lestrade and his prisoner had reached the door when Holmes' voice halted them.

"I only wish to know," he said, "whether you are aware of the weapon with which you killed Squire Addleton?"

"I told you it was the nearest thing on the wall, some old axe or club."

"It was an executioner's axe," said Holmes drily.

The Australian made no reply, but as he followed Lestrade to the door it seemed to me that a singular smile lit up his rough bearded face.

My friend and I walked back slowly through the woods and up the moor where Lestrade and the prisoner had already vanished in the direction of Foulkes Rath. Sherlock Holmes was moody and thoughtful, and it was apparent to me that the reaction that generally followed the conclusion of a case was already upon him.

"It is curious," I observed, "that a man's hatred and ferocity should remain unabated after twenty years."

"My dear Watson," replied Holmes, "I would remind you of the old Sicilian adage that vengeance is the only dish that is best when eaten cold. But surely," he continued, shading his eyes with his hand, "the lady hurrying down our path is Mrs. Longton. Though I trust that I am not lacking in chivalry, nevertheless, I am in no mood for the effusions of feminine gratitude, and, therefore, with your permission, we will take this bypath behind the gorse bushes. If we step out, we should be by time for the afternoon train to town."

"Corolla is singing tonight at Covent Garden and, tired by our short holiday in the invigorating atmosphere of Ashdown Forest, I think that you will agree with me, Watson, that we could desire no more pleasant homecoming than an hour or two spent amid the magic of Milton. Leave me, followed by a cold supper at our rooms in Baker Street."

"Where, I asked myself, might one expect to find the ground impregnated with wood dust? Surely in a sawmill, and there down in the valley below the manor house lay the Ashdown Timber Mills. It had occurred to me already that the clue to this

Down On The Farm Is Not For Them

By RITCHIE McEWEN

THIRTY acres of rich farm land, furniture worth £350, a cow, and a year's free use of a government tractor, are the bribes being offered by the Czech authorities to anyone willing to settle in the Sudetenland, along the Iron Curtain.

In addition, prospective "frontiersmen" may buy a house or farmstead for £75, to be paid in instalments.

But although the offer was made more than three months ago, there has been no sign of a wild rush by settlers in covered wagons, all eager to stake out a claim in this fertile No-Man's-Land on the edge of the Iron Curtain.

The official starting gun went off with a loud bang in the Party press last November, but so far the effect has been that of a damp squib.

Up to now, only a small group of needy, diehard Communists with nothing to lose have volunteered for "frontier duty."

For the great majority of Czechs have little faith in the stability of the red star in the People's Democratic heaven, and fear that they would lose their farms once Communism is defeated, and the legitimate owners return.

Forbidden Area

One-eighth of the total arable acreage in Czechoslovakia lies in the frontier zone, and up to last November it was a forbidden area for every Czech except the military and the frontier guards.

Hundreds of farms and once flourishing little villages stand empty and deserted, their only visitors an occasional police patrol passing through the district.

The district of Carlsbad alone has lost over 30 percent of its rich farming area, and the food shortage in this town has reached serious proportions, while the country as a whole has suffered severely from the "Security Belt" policy along Czechoslovakia's Iron Curtain frontiers.

Under the Georgi Malenkov "New Look" for the subject

THE CHAPMAN PINCHER COLUMN

WHY DOES HOLIDAY TIME FLY?

WHY does the time fly so quickly over the weekend? Why does time drag when we are young, so that a school term seems an eternity, while the years flash by when we are older?

Scientists who are puzzling out answers to these questions are satisfied that somewhere in the human body there is an intricate time-keeping mechanism. If this body-clock starts ticking, time seems to drag. It runs slow, time flies. Direct evidence for this belief comes from tests on people chosen because their judgment of how long a second really is was normally accurate.

While these people sat in a "hot-box" which raised their body temperature by several degrees they tapped out what they believed to be seconds on a Morse key.

The rise in body temperature somehow speeded up the body-clock so that the "seconds" which they tapped out were much shorter than actual seconds. The scientists calculated that if it had been possible to raise the body temperature by 10 degrees Centigrade the sense of time would have been changed so much that one hour would have seemed almost as long as three.

Tests have also shown that people overestimate time when they are forced to do a task, and underestimate it when they relax afterwards.

So it may be some temporary resetting of the body-clock which makes a holiday fly so much faster than the work-day week.

Wondering whether the beating heart might serve as a time-keeping pendulum, scientists carried out experiments to see if people's judgment of time is altered when the heart pounds faster after exercise.

They found no change. So the body-clock does not seem to be in the heart.

Likeliest location is the brain, which is known to generate electric waves at a steady rate capable of serving as a rhythm for the judgment of time.

Doctors' blood pressure gauges, for home use, are now being advertised by the mail order men in U.S. pulp magazines.

"Keep check on yourself," warns the sales blurb.

RADIO RESCUE

★ THE LATEST rescue boat for fliers who crash in the sea is dropped by parachute from an aeroplane and is then steered by radio towards the survivors.

THE CHICK-UP

★ BRITAIN'S drug bill may be immense, but as a race of hypochondriacs the Americans surely have us beaten.

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(London Express Service)

Have You Nominated YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year?—See Next Page

FAVOURITES WIN EASILY IN OPENING MATCHES OF BADMINTON TOURNEY

By "ARGONAUT"

Favourites passed comfortably into the next round in the opening matches of the Colony Senior Open Badminton Championships at Club de Recreio and St. Teresa's Club yesterday. Of seven games played, six ended in straight sets and one in a walk-over.

The closest match of the evening turned out to be the Mixed Doubles encounter at Recreio between the second-seeded combination of Patrick Wong and Ullan Khoo and Craigengower's Bill Funk and Diana Yung.

Although Wong and Miss Khoo emerged deserving winners by 15-12 and 15-7, the latter put up a plucky fight and enjoyed the lead in the first half of both sets.

Schoolgirl Diana Yung, though visibly nervous, made an impressive debut in the Colony Senior Championships, being especially conspicuous with her excellent short services and deadly half-court smashes.

Veteran Patrick Wong provided the decisive factor in the combination's victory with his steadiness and clever placement shots and point-scoring drives and smashes.

Ullan Khoo did not appear to be able to settle down in her first match this season and tended to be on the erratic side for the greater part of the game.

On the same court Craigengower's Y. S. Lim and Albert Tam accounted for Recreio's Albert da Rosa and Basilio Xavier by 15-5 and 16-7.

The C.C.T. players were in fine form with their thundering smashes and delicate net shots, but Rosa and Xavier in their first appearance in the Senior Championships seemed to be a little overawed by the reputation of their opponents and

The Crowds Stay Away From Floodlight Football

By ARCHIE QUICK

What is the future of floodlight football? During the seven days before I write over forty matches have been played in the evenings under the "lights" and reports from up and down the country reveal a big falling off in attendances. In seventy-five per cent of the cases Scottish clubs have been called in to provide the opposition, but still more and more customers stay away.

Why? The answer is that these are friendly matches, played in a spirit of exhibition and lacking the competitive element which is the very essence of Soccer. To combat the decrease there is only one answer—the inauguration of Leagues.

There is likely to be one on the Anglo-Scottish border between the big clubs of Glasgow and Edinburgh and the North-East Coast League clubs; the Southern League sides are seriously considering the same subject and there is likely to be a combination of Midland non-League clubs.

But what are the big fellows going to do about it? I went along to Millwall the other night when Newcastle United were attractive visitors—or so one would have thought. The attendance was negligible although the play was completely enjoyable.

Not so long ago the League clubs were complaining about congestion of fixtures, League programmes being too big and Cup replays being a nuisance. But here they are arranging extra matches to supplement their incomes.

DON'T LIKE IT

The players do not like it either. One said to me at Millwall: "The clubs are taking thousands of pounds out of these night matches and what do we get—each on £2 a piece, that is if we win—and the Scotties come down here with a guaranteed £10 and even more—win, lose or draw. Our only consolation is that the evening bonus money is likely to be stepped up next season."

Senior Ladies' Singles—Bernadine Remondin beat Cindy Ho 11-6, 11-3.
Senior Men's Doubles—Albert Tam and Y. S. Lim beat B. A. Xavier and A. A. da Rosa 15-5, 15-7.
Senior Mixed Doubles—Hamon Young and Winnie Cheung received a walk-over from B. K. L. and K. F. Lai.
Patrick Wong and Ullan Khoo beat Bill Funk and Diana Yung 15-12, 15-7.

TONIGHT'S MATCHES

(At Craigengower)
Senior Men's Singles—Ku Tong-lan v Y. S. Lim, 7 p.m.; Tai Si Gin v Bill Funk, 8.20 p.m.
Senior Men's Doubles—P. H. Wing and Robert Tay v J. B. Pomeroy & J. A. de Motta, 9 p.m.
Senior Ladies' Doubles—Ullan Khoo and Winnie Cheung v Cindy Ho and Ho Suk-kam, 7.30 p.m.
Remondin & S. Correa v Helen Kwong and Mary Wong, 8 p.m.

(At Recreio)
Senior Men's Singles—Ku Wat-bong v Sy Khim Piao, 7 p.m.; A. Torres v Simon Haw, 8.30 p.m.
Senior Men's Doubles—A. A. Xavier & P. V. Yap v F. M. Ruzo & J. C. Koo, 8 p.m.; J. A. Young & W. F. Foo, 7.30 p.m.
Senior Mixed Doubles—Lam Ming-lak & Dorothy Lam v Jimmy Ku and Betty Yung, 7.30 p.m.

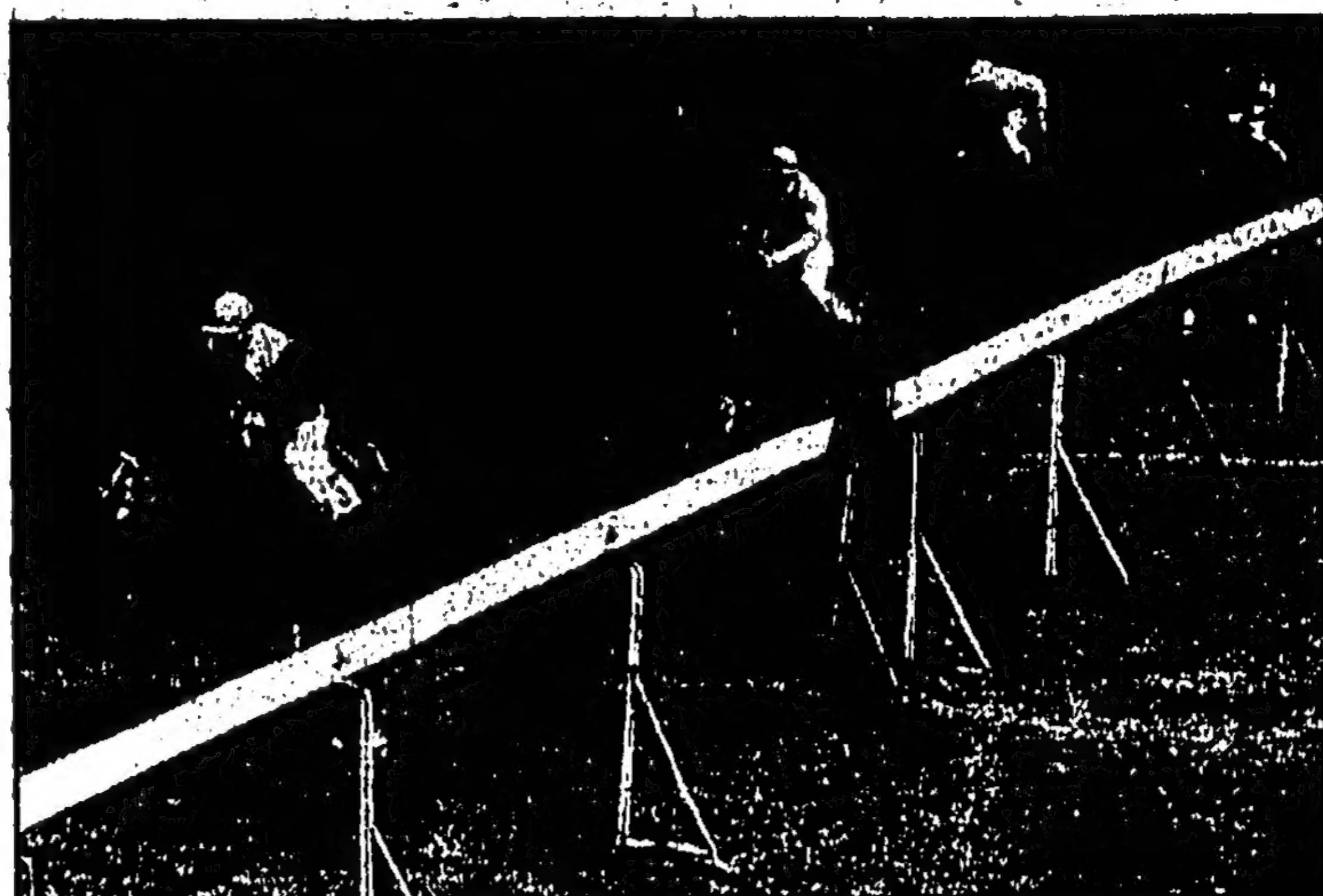
THE GAMBOLS



By Barry Appleby



SIR GORDON WINS



Passing the post to win the Great Metropolitan Handicap at Epsom on April 20 is Sir Gordon Richards, riding Luxury Hotel, followed at a respectful distance by T. Mahon on Misty Night and W. Rickaby on Cunningham.—Reuterphoto.

The Least Praised Men In Football

By GEORGE ROBB

Few spectators ever see the trainer, except when he sprints on to the pitch to put an injury right. He is essentially football's backroom boy. And few spectators really know how much he does.

His two main jobs are the organisation of players' training and the treatment of injuries. In the last day or so I have had a sample of the latter. Cecil Poynton, Spurs' trainer, has been round regularly to see me while I have been lying ill in bed with glandular trouble.

But the trainer's task is not as simple as that. He does endless small jobs which seem trivial, but are essential to the smooth running of the team. He has to make sure that all individual items of players' kit are taken on away journeys. He must see the medical kit is packed for any emergency.

In the past, many footballers became trainers when their playing days were over. Tom Whitaker of Arsenal, Cecil Poynton of Spurs, Jimmy Trotter of Charlton, Frank Pease of Fulham, Billy Moore of West Ham, Bert Spradon of Bolton, Jack Oxberry of Chelsea, are some of the many.

The experience they gained as players is invaluable. Tom Whitaker, of course, is now better known as a manager (present Arsenal manager is Billy Milne)—but I understand he still uses his famous training touches when the occasion demands.

But although experience helps, the job of trainer needs in addition a great amount of hard work and study. It is no easily acquired art. And today fewer and fewer players are becoming

trainers when they hang their boots up.

Why? It is difficult to pinpoint specific reasons. Recently, treatment of injuries has become highly specialised. All top-class clubs have treatment rooms, equipped with the most modern physio-therapy appliances. So trainers must know how to operate these expensive and intricate machines.

This again, needs extra knowledge that can only be won on F.A. trainers' courses, and by personal study. That should not be any obstacle—but it may be one reason why fewer players are going in for training.

LEAVING GAME
Then, in these days of vocational training courses, more

players are leaving the game altogether.

This all adds up to a depressing situation. If this stream of men prepared to pass on their experience to the up-and-coming lads should ever dry up altogether, it would be a sad blow to soccer.

(London Express Service)

Home Rugger Results

London, Apr. 27.
Rugby Union results today were:
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Bridgewater and Albion 11, Cross Keys 11.
Plymouth 3, Maesteg 6.
Penzance and Newlyn 3, Cardiff 16.
Torquay 13, Gloucester 19.
Weston-Super-Mare 0, Bristol 13.
Aberavon 8, Swansea 10.
Rugby League results were:
Bolton 12, Wigan 12, Widnes 13.
Doncaster 9, Hull Kingston Rovers 11.
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JACK GARDNER OUTPOINTS ANSELL ADAMS

Leicester, Apr. 26.
Jack Gardner, the 154 stone Leicestershire farmer, outpointed Ansell Adams, the Trinidad Heavyweight Champion, here tonight in a 10 rounds elimination for the British Empire Heavyweight Championship.
It was an uninspiring contest. Gardner, former British Champion, won with something to spare, but did not make much use of his weight advantage of 10 pounds. It was not until the final round that he landed a really damaging punch.—China Mail Special.

Grand Prix Des Nations Event Won By Portugal

Nice, April 25.
Portugal making a sensational comeback won the Grand Prix Des Nations closing team event of the international horse show here today with 15 points.

Second was France with 10 points and third Spain with 23 points. Switzerland was fourth with 31.5 points and fifth was Italy with 32 points. Turkey was sixth with 78 points and Egypt seven with 84 points.

Spain, which had made a poor show in the first heat with 20 points, won the second one with only three points when both Francisco Goyeaga and Captain Almas Martin made a faultless run.—United Press.

Let's Smile Again!

By HENRY LONGHURST

One of the great golfing tournaments of the world is the United States Masters. Over in England, as with the American Open Championship, the amount we hear about it is in inverse ratio to our interest in it. Scarcely a crumb of news is tossed to us, and in no single newspaper did I detect the name of the winner.

This deficiency I propose to make good—not merely because this is perhaps the third most notable event in golf but also because this year there emerged from it a character who, even at a range of 5,000 miles, must instantly endear himself to us.

As to the result, it was what in some sports might be unworthily suspected as a frame-up by the promoters—a tie between Hogan and Sneed.

Their total was the comparative high one of 289. Hogan, having won last year with 274, and their individual rounds were: Hogan 72, 73, 69, 75; Sneed 73, 72, 72, 72. In the play-off, before some 6,500 spectators, Hogan drew first blood at the fourth. Sneed squared with a two at the sixth and both were out in 35, one under par.

AZALEA HOLE

Sneed chipped in from the length of a cricket pitch at the tenth. Hogan got it back two holes later and so, all square, to what they call the Azalea Hole, the thirteenth—70 yards par 6, dog leg round the woods to the left, with a creek running along the left and then across in front of the green.

Hogan plays safely out to the right and short in two. Sneed, win or bust, aims one down beside the trees and is on in two with an iron.

Still a stroke behind, Hogan has a five yarder for a two at the sixteenth. But what in this? Three feet short with the first, he misses the next.

As the pressure increases, it is the Master who fades and Sneed, who entered the tournament with a severe attack of putting jitters, who sticks it out. Sneed 70, Hogan 71.

It was Sneed's third victory at Augusta and also his third, out of three, in direct combat with Hogan. The only fly in the ointment was his statement at the end that he "did not propose to try his luck in the British open."

I wish I had been there, not only for a great occasion but because the Augusta National is one of the loveliest courses in America, especially at this time of year.

It was laid out by Bobby Jones and the late Dr. Alister Mackenzie on the site of a huge nursery founded by a Belgian baron, in 1880, and famous for its flowering shrubs all over America.

The President has a permanent cottage there and the better pleased we shall be.

What is perhaps more impressive, however, is his comment as he walked to the fourteenth tee at a moment when life must have seemed at its lowest ebb.

"Ah, well," he said turning to the spectators, "let's smile again." A suitable Easter text if ever there was one, and the sooner Mr Patton pays us a visit the better pleased we shall be.

PORT VALE MAY PLAY HERE

Port Vale, sensational English Third Division champions who reached the F.A. Cup semi-finals, are ready to play three matches in Hongkong after the Asian Games, the H.K. Football Association announced yesterday.

The English F.A. have offered Port Vale, because neither Blackpool nor the other First Division clubs were available for a visit to the Far East because of tour engagements on the Continent.

The Chairman of the H.K.F.A., Mr. Jack Skinner, said yesterday that the Council in considering the English F.A. offer will first try to find out what drawing power Port Vale would have among local Chinese spectators.

Mr. Skinner, who will fly to Manila today for the Asian Games, will consult the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation on Port Vale's offer. The P.A.A.F. had previously agreed to share with Hongkong the expenses of bringing out to the Far East an English team.

The visiting English team were to play three matches in Manila after the Asian Games, one of them against the winners of the Asian football championship.

INDIANS FEARED
The visiting Indian Asian Games footballers, blanketed a Club side 4-0 in a football exhibition match last night at the Club stadium after leading 3-0 at half-time.

Lee Tai-see and Sato, then scored in the first half. In the second, Lee Tai-see and Sato, again scored. Lee Tai-see, who was the Club's goalkeeper, was replaced by Sato.

The former footballers, who will meet Vietnam on May 1 while the Philippines play a friendly match on May 2, will fly to Manila tomorrow.

Russia Likely To Send 400 To Melbourne Games

Sydney, Apr. 26.
Mr. E. J. Holt, Technical Director for the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne, said the Games Committee expected Russia to enter nearly 400 athletes despite the present strained relations between Australia and Russia.

Mr. Holt was leaving by air for Switzerland to attend a meeting of the Olympic International Federation.

He said Russia would be anxious to compete in the Games and he did not think the Petrov case would make them change their plans.—Reuter.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

Australian Subscription Ponies 1955

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1955 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

An application form has been posted to every Member. In the event of non-delivery further forms may be obtained at the Club's Office, Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

The Subscription List will close on FRIDAY, 30th April, 1954.

By Order of the Stewards,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

CASH SWEEPS

11th Race Meeting 1st & 8th May, 1954.

Through Tickets for the above Race Meeting may be purchased per day or for both days. If purchased per day the cost is \$20, or \$40 for both days.

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IN TRAINING FOR THE CUP FINAL



Members of the Preston North End team at PT exercises during Cup Final training at the Deepdale ground. They play West Bromwich Albion in the FA Cup Final on May 1.
Back row (left to right): Cunningham, Thompson, Mattinson, Forbes, and Marston. Front row: Wayman, Baxter, Foster, Finney, and Morrison.—Central Press Photo.

THE ROWE HOUSEHOLD WAS RATHER CROWDED—THAT'S HOW IT STARTED

The Rowe household was rather crowded. It wasn't, by Victorian standards, a huge family. Mr and Mrs Rowe had five children. But all five were girls. And a quintet of young ladies can be a crowd in the biggest house.

The two youngest Rowes thought so anyway. They were twins, fourteen years old rising fifteen. Yet the way their sisters treated them they might be a couple of children.

Obviously no chance of gaining respect in such an atmosphere, so off to the local youth club.

There, an intriguing sight. People knocking a small celluloid ball across a large table. A chance invitation to join in the acceptance... and for the youngsters Rowe a new passion is born—ping-pong.

And thus was created one of the greatest twin partnerships in sporting history—Diane and Rosalind Rowe, British and now World Table Tennis Champions.

On April 10 the twins celebrated their 21st birthdays. They did so in the best possible manner, for themselves, and for Britain. While their colleagues faltered in the Wembley World Championship, they defeated the all-conquering Japanese to regain the world doubles title, which they first won in 1951.

What a typical action for this partnership which has blazed a trail of success from that eventful day they visited the youth club.

Returning home after that first game they pestered Dad into erecting a table in the spare bedroom. This done, life alternated between the bedroom and the club... the club and the bedroom, anywhere for a game of table tennis.

NOT BAD EXPERIENCE

After a few months they entered for the South of England Championships "to gain experience". Not bad experience either. Rosalind won the tournament. Her final opponent? That's right, Diane.

From then on it was one success after another. At fifteen Rosalind was a member of the English International team which beat the Czechs. At 17 they were World Doubles Champions.

They won the title in Austria. The tournament was held in the Vienna Concert House, scene of some of the world's finest ballets and operas. But no stage prima donna has ever earned more applause than these two young Londoners.

They have since played in Sweden—in the Palace before Sweden's Royal Family—and in Hungary, India, France, Holland, Belgium, Australia and New Zealand. They are known wherever the game is played.

But life has not been a bed of roses.

Indeed, only a couple of months ago the Misses Rowe were among the most criticised champions in British sport.

The reason? Horror of horrors, they had shown that they were human beings after all, not table tennis machines. They were actually losing matches.

Immediately, the knowledgeable—amazing how many with "inside information" spring up when champions are beaten—came out with stories that the twins were hitting the bright lights, not training and getting above themselves.

STILL "PING-PONG"

True or false? If an occasional drink, moderate smoking and a film or a dance now and then constitutes high living, the answer is yes. Otherwise the allegations were nonsense. As

for being high-minded, why they still call the game ping-pong!

The real reason for the temporary loss of form was stage-ness. They certainly had a right to be stale. In seven years they'd done just about everything in the table-tennis world—including learn the game. And their Australian tour had been one hectic round of exhibitions and matches set in frenzied publicity.

Determined to prove themselves, two months before the Wembley tournament saw the twins set out on a Spartan existence. Smoking was out, so were all social engagements. It was practice... practice... practice. The only relaxation from indoor practice was outdoor exercise.

The remaining of the title made it well worth while.

The reason for their successes? Well, they are ideally matched for a doubles partnership. Right-handed Rosalind, cool, calm and efficient seldom playing a bad shot, is an admirable foil for the impetuous left-handed Diane, whose flashing angled drives are almost unreturnable.

But there is far more to it than the matching of two techniques. There must be. After all table tennis is the world's top indoor sport.

So how do the Rowes themselves explain their achievements? "I guess we just have a flair for the game," is the immediate joint reply. Simple isn't it!

—(London Express Service)

Round The World In 80 Reels

By HUMPHREY BOGART
(as told to Ken Smith)

It was John Huston who started me off on my travel binge and hauled my creaky bones the equivalent of twice around the globe. Before my acquaintance with "The Monster," I had never been further from home than Palm Springs. Then John and I did *The Treasure of Sierra Madre*—and home became a distant dream.

In the past three years I have travelled approximately 50,000 miles—to Africa, Italy, France, England, Hawaii and Petersburg, Virginia—always with the cameras grinding.

What have I learned from my travels? Absolutely nothing. But I had a good time. I feel the same way about travel as I do about money. People should have more of it.

I am the last person in the world to give advice. However, since my return home, friends about to go abroad have asked what they should take with them and what they should eat and what they should order. They even ask me—get this—how they should behave!

My stock answers to these questions have been accepted as gospel in America and I sincerely hope ignored overseas.

People have asked me how I like the food in Europe, and I have always answered, "It's wonderful!" Personally, I never touch the stuff.

On the subject of behaviour, I want to observe that at least 90 per cent of American travellers, as far as I can gather, conduct themselves with the utmost discretion and decency. The remaining 10 per cent are noisy and demanding, exactly the same as they are at home. Naturally, they make themselves more noticed.

Possibly I am not the one to talk on this subject. I have not always been considered a model of good deportment in my own country. In some restaurants on 52nd Street they hang out the storm signals—or so I am told—when I make my appearance.

Contrary to what you may have read, Americans get along fine in Britain. Maybe it's because most of us have a smattering of the language. It's a big help. Speaking of which, I make it a habit to acquire at least ten basic words in the language of any country I visit. More than that would strain my scholarly abilities. "Where" is one of the words, so that I can get back to my hotel.

"How much?" "Too much," "yes," "no," "eat," "drink," "good," and "no good," are handy words in any language. Also as a concession to the American State Department, "please" and "thank you."

John Huston has gotten an international reputation as a polite American just by grinning at everybody. But I don't grin easy—and when I do, people are apt to mistake it for a snarl.

IN TROUBLE

Like most Americans, I have my greatest linguistic difficulties in France. My theory is that Parisians understand my textbook French and pretend not to. In contrast, Italians pretend

out of natural politeness to understand my experiments with the language when actually they don't. Either way I'm in trouble.

Fortunately, my great and good friend Lauren Bacall is usually along to interpret for me. I'm not sure that Mrs. B's French or Italian is pure. Her theory is that you plunge right ahead with what you think you know, and it seems to work—for her. The way everything does.

Most American tourists find travelling in Europe by car a delightful experience. I do not recommend it.

Filming "Beat the Devil" in Italy, John Huston and I went by car from Rome to Ravenna. Our Italian driver came to a fork in the road which had so many turns in their own language, I ask you, what chance has an ignorant American?

You will observe that I have not discussed European women, but when you plunge right in, mean Lollobrigida, the Italian Marilyn Monroe.

She is a dish, and no doubt about it. But her husband keeps close to her side.

Anyway—and I'd say it even if I didn't have to—I'll stick Miss Bacall against the best of them.

So far I've said nothing about Africa and Hawaii. My impressions of both places are a little hazy. Actually, I worked only one day in Hawaii on "The Caine Mutiny" and spent the rest of my seven days there teaching my small son, Stephen, to swim.

I have been quoted rather widely on my African adventure as saying that the only sure remedy against the microbes there is Scotch. I was speaking only for myself, and my actual quote was: "I built a solid wall of whisky between me and the bugs."

What is good for John Huston and me has got to be good for the rest of society. Katharine Hepburn didn't drink, and breezed through her stay as if it was a weekend in the country.

YOU CAN'T TELL

My travels are not ended. I have just returned home after helping to make the "Barefoot Contessa" in Italy, with Ava Gardner, for director Joe Mankiewicz, and that Old Devil Huston has a junket planned for the two of us in India, where Clark Gable and I may do a film based on Rudyard Kipling's story, "The Man Who Would Be King."

You can't tell about Huston, though, if he doesn't finish up in the belly of a whale we may wind up in Samarkand or Tierra del Fuego.

But what Mrs. B. will do in Tierra del Fuego I can't imagine. Jacques Fath and Balmain have no branches there—as far as I know.

Golf Club Beat The Combined Services

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club vs Combined Services match was played over 36 holes at Fanling on Sunday and resulted in a win for the Club by 18½ points.

Singles were played on both Courses in the morning and Lunch time arrived with the civilian side leading by 10½ points to 13. 19 matches having been won, 12 lost and one halved.

In the afternoon foursballs, the Club won eight matches, lost three and five were halved, twenty three points being scored against eleven by combined Services, the final score reading R.H.K. Golf Club 42½, Combined Services—32.

Results of individual matches were as follows with Club players' names first.

SINGLES
Old Course: K. S. Robertson 1, Maj. C. C. L. Fushnell 0; A. D. Duffy 1, Maj. J. Evans ½; D. L. Anderson 1, F/O A. Brown 0; A. R. Petrie 1½, Maj. P. V. Huyshe 0; W. D. Leighton 1, Lt. M. Keeling 0; H. W. Heath 0, S/Ldr. T. C. Imrie 1; J. Wal. Van Alst 1, Capt. J. Fortune 0; J. L. Kay 0, Mr Crawford 1; D. Shaw 1, Major D. H. Proven 0.

NEW COURSE: A. B. Coleman 1, F/Lt. J. Grehen 0; A. V. White 0; W/Cdr. Read 1; W. N. Gray 1, Lt.Col. P. Wilkinson 0; T. A. Pearce 1, Maj. King-Martin 0; R. G. Craig 0, Capt. H. Burt 1; Dr. B. Mackie 1, Maj. Boycott 0; M. S. Robertson 1½, Capt. D. A. Kennedy 0; F. D. Hunter 1, Lt.Col. D. Baker-Carr 0; R. K. Collings 0, Maj. A. G. S. Edgar 1; S. M. Backe 0, Brig. Bolton 1; W. H. Paterson 0, F/Lt. Leigh-Bennett 1; E. D. Brown 0, S/Ldr. Houghton 1; A. E. Elliott 0, F/O P. H. Flumby 0; G. J. Mary 1, Lt. Story 0; C. W. Grange 1½, Capt. E. J. Debble 0; Austin Ho 1, 2/Lt. R. Hope ½.

FOURBALLS
Robertson/Coleman 0, Pust-nell/Grehan 2; Duffy/White 2½, Evans/Read 0; Anderson/Gray 2½, Brown/Wilkinson 0; Petrie/Pearce 1, Huyshe/King-Martin 1; Leighton/Craig 2½, Keeling/Burt 0; Heath/Mackie 1, Imrie/Boycott 1; Wal/Robertson 2, Reeves/Kennedy 0; Davies/Hunter 1, Carey/Baker-Carr 1; Bell/Collings 1, Hall/Edgar 1; W. G. Robertson/Backe 0; Yates/Bolton 2; Cole/Paterson 0; Leigh-Bennett 2; J. D. Brown 2½, Blain/Houghton 0; Wilhoquet/Elliott 2, May/Flumby 0; Van Alst/Mary 2, Braddell/Story 0; Kay/Grange 1, Crawford/Debble 1; Shaw/Austin Ho 2; Proven/Huyshe 1; D. Duffy with the combined Services played over 36 holes.

The Old Course during the week-end with a return of Two down. D. R. Holmes and R. M. Macpherson being joint runners-up with Three down. R. M. T. Orr and C. Pratt tied for first place on the New Course with cards showing all square. R. G. L. Oliphant and Frank Yeh being runners-up with three down against Bogey.

MEDAL SCORES

The best Medal scores handed in during the week-end were—
Old Course: A. A. Feair 79—8—nett 69; G. P. Ferguson 99—24—nett 72.

New Course: C. Pratt 81—12—nett 69; R. M. T. Orr 83—13—nett 70; R. G. L. Oliphant 79—8—nett 71; F. Yeh 89—17—nett 72.

The Final of the Fanling Mixed Foursomes competition was played during the week-end and resulted in a victory for Mr & Mrs D. L. Anderson over Major & Mrs A. G. S. Edgar by one up.

The winners had reached the final by eliminating Miss de Save/Mr J. Kerr—6/5 in the first round, Miss Brown/Mr V. O. Davies—2 up in the Third, Dr & Mrs J. B. Mackie—1 up in the Fourth round, and Mr & Mrs F. D. Hunter—4/3 in the Semi-final.

On their journey to the final, Major & Mrs Edgar had received a bye in the first round, beat Miss J. Pearce and Mr & Mrs R. B. Mackie—1 up in the Second, Mr & Mrs R. Wilhoquet—on the 21st Green in the Third round, Miss Aitken and Mr J. K. Watson—1 up in the Fourth and Mr & Mrs J. F. Shoemaker—3/1 in the Semi-final.

FANLING FOURBALL

The Final of this competition was also played during the week-end, the result being a victory for J. W. Nichols/R. R. Davies over Captain H. Burt/A. Lindsay by three up and one in play.

J. W. Nichols and R. R. Davies beat—T. C. Imrie/W. N. Leigh-Bennett—3/2 in the First round, R. K. Collings/W. O. Davies—1 up in the Second, Lt.Col. P. H. Carey/Major A. G. S. Edgar in the Third, A. M. Soares/H. R. de Pina—2/1 in the Fourth round, and M. S. Douglas/A. D. Duffy on the 20th Green in the Semi-final. Capt. H. Burt and A. Lindsay reached the final by beating F. G. Cornish/R. G. L. Oliphant—1 up in the First round, R. Main/T. R. MacLean—at the 19th in the Second, A. A. Lopes/A. R. de Pina in the Third, A. R. Petrie/R. G. Craig at the 20th in the Fourth round and Lt.Col. D. Baker-Carr/Dr J. B. Mackie—one up—in the Semi-final.

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Who is YOUR H.K. FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR?

NEVER before has there been so much public interest in Hongkong soccer than during the season now ending. And never before has the Colony boasted so many talented players—players who have given tens of thousands of soccer "fans" clever and thrilling exhibitions of their prowess in this greatest of all local field sports.

The China Mail has, therefore, decided to organise, among the followers and supporters of local soccer a Gallup Poll to determine, by popular vote,

Hongkong's Footballer of the Year.

China Mail readers are cordially invited to fill in the form below, nominating whom they regard as the Colony's outstanding footballer of the current season.

The two qualifications for nomination are:
(1) Footballing prowess.
(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.
Nominations should be addressed to The Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street, Hongkong. Entries will close on MONDAY, MAY 10.
The result will be announced on Saturday, May 15.

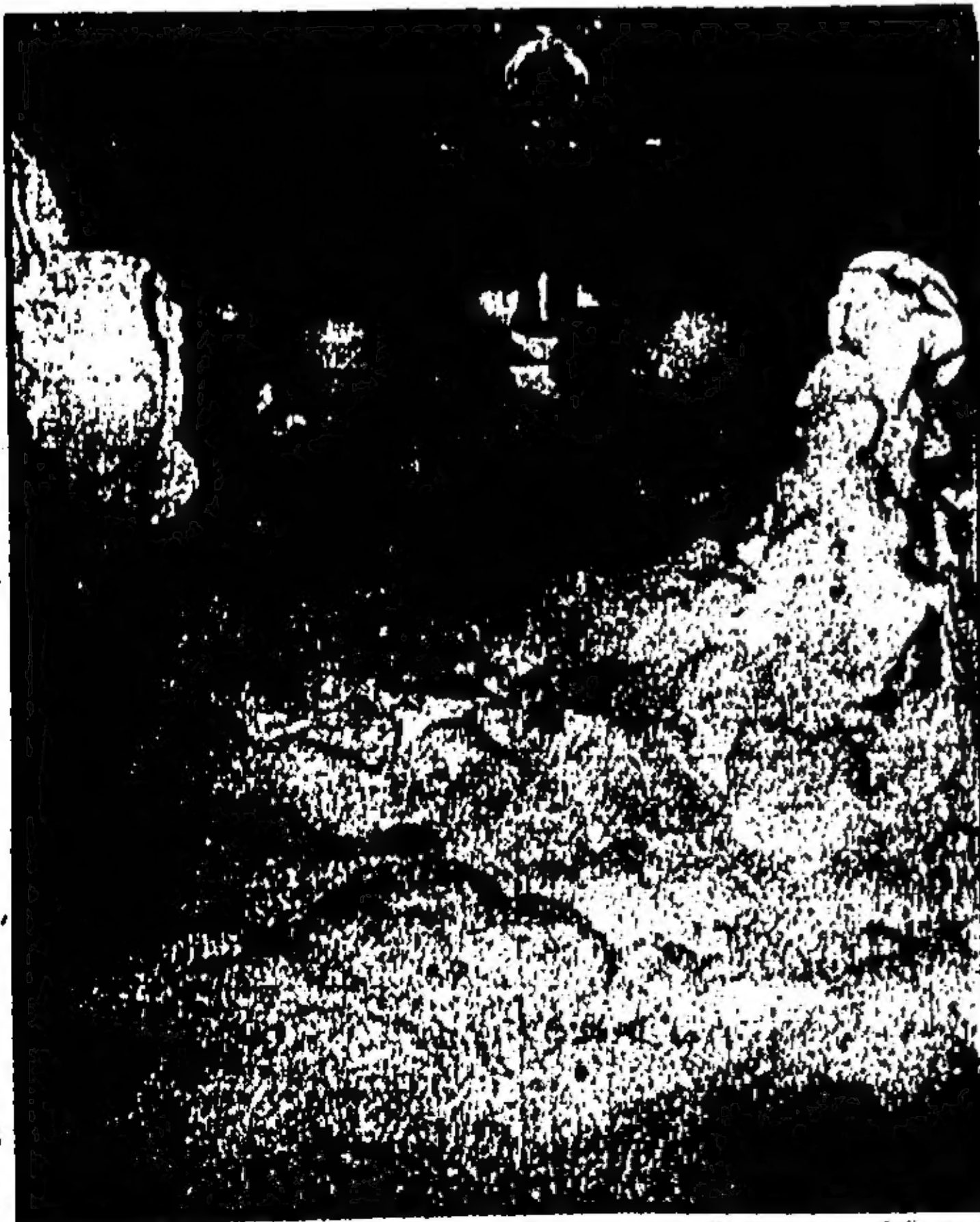
To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the Club.

Signed

IN THE FOAM



Rosalind and Diane Rowe enjoy a foam bath during a break from training for the World Table Tennis Championships. They won the Women's Doubles Championship.—Reuterphoto.

HOME SOCCER

Ipswich Assured Of Promotion

London, Apr. 26.

Ipswich virtually won their race with Brighton for promotion from the Third Division South when they won at Newport tonight.

Brighton must win both their remaining matches to equal Ipswich's present points total of 62, and Ipswich have another match to play and a superior goal average.

Ipswich were rather lucky to beat Newport by the odd goal of three. Three times the ball hit the woodwork with their goalkeeper well beaten.

None of tonight's other matches had a bearing on promotion or relegation.

Preston North End shortened in price at tonight's callover at the Victoria Club, London, on the Cup final. Their odds were cut to 11-8 on to beat West Bromwich.

RESULTS

The following were the results of football matches played today:

Division I	
Sheffield U 2	Aston Villa 1
Division II	
Stoke City 3	Plymouth 2

Division III (Southern)

Coventry 1	Norwich 0
Millwall 0	Colchester U 0
Newport C 1	Ipswich T 2
Queen's P 2	Leyton 1

Division III (Northern)

Barrow 1	Hartlepool 1
Chastelfield 1	Workington 0
Hallifax Town versus York City—postponed until tomorrow	
Stockport C 1	Port Vale 1

Scottish League "A"

Hibernian 2	Rangers 0
Celtic 1	Academicals 0

Glasgow Charity Cup Match

Clyde versus Third Lanark—postponed until tomorrow	
Other Matches	
Reading 2	Newcastle 2
Grimby 2	Town 1
Hull City 1	Sheff. 1

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"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m. 28th Apr.	
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"SHENGKING"	Keelung	7 a.m. 3rd May	

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"CHANGTE"	Australia & Manila	9th May	

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	Leaves	Arrives	
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"LAOMEDON"	Liverpool & Glasgow	13th May 14th May	
"ANCHISES"	Liverpool & Dublin	23rd May 24th May	
"CLYTONEUS"	Genoa, London & Rotterdam & Hamburg	24th May 25th May	

SCHEDULED SAILINGS FROM EUROPE			
	Leaves	Arrives	
"ANCHISES"	Liverpool	2nd May	
"CLYTONEUS"	do	8th May	
"PERSEUS"	do	14th May	
"LAOMEDON"	do	25th May	
"CYCLOPS"	do	29th May	
"CLYTONEUS"	do	7th June	
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Lost Airmen Will Be Remembered

500 Relatives To Visit Malta

London, Apr. 27. More than 500 relatives of British airmen commemorated by the RAF Memorial in Malta are to see the unveiling by the Queen on May 3.

They are going by ship and in five specially chartered airliners.

The Memorial is a counterpart of the one at Runnymede (which was also unveiled by the Queen). It commemorates 2,300 fliers of the British and Commonwealth Air Forces who were lost without trace on operations from Malta and other bases in the Central Mediterranean.

Three hundred and thirty relatives going by train and ship leave Victoria Station on April 28. Two aeroplane loads are going out from Bovington Airport on April 30.

The following day another 34 fly in a Viking from Bovington and 110 in two Yorks from London Airport.

An official of the Royal Air Forces' Association, who have opened a fund to help relatives who cannot afford the cost of the journey, said today: "Many of these relatives cannot afford to meet the cost of their fares unaided."

(London Express Service)

New Fast-Loading Tramps Will Help Shipping Industry

London, Apr. 27. Because of the lack of suitable tramp ships and the increasing demands of Britain's expanding steel production, a new type of ship is joining the Merchant Navy—special ore carriers.

Eight vessels of 8,000 tons each and seven 14,000-tonners will carry in a year about 2,250,000 tons of ore, vital to the steel industry.

Six of the fleet are on order for Ore Carriers of London. The largest vessels will be delivered to other owners between 1955 and 1957.

When the complete fleet is running, steel production should be helped.

The fleet have been planned after long negotiations between the steel industry and ship-owners.

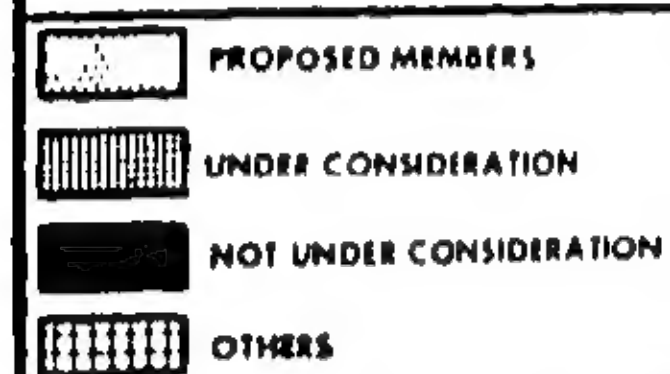
The cargoes will be unloaded by mechanical grabs. The rate will be almost double that of an ordinary tramp ship. The cost of unloading will therefore be greatly reduced and each vessel will make many more voyages.

The first vessel of the fleet to enter service, the Orsary, was recently unloaded in eight hours or 1,000 tons an hour.

As in modern tankers, the officers and crew will be accommodated aft, allowing long, unobstructed cargo holds.

There has been a shortage of suitable tramp ships to carry this type of cargo.

Britain's tramp fleet has declined by more than 1,000,000 tons since before the war and



By Warren Bennett, AP Newsfeatures Writer

Ceylon's premier Sir John Kotellaewa called a conference of five Asian premiers for April 28 to consider mutual security problems and Mr Dulles's call for a united Southeast Asian front against Communism. He invited India's Prime Minister Nehru, Pakistan's Mohammed

There is also a conviction in Washington that the spade-work on a Pacific NATO serves as a far better warning to Moscow and Peking of the West's determination than would an "united front" ultimatum which might be construed as a bluff.

This new defensive line-up could do much to settle British resentment over her exclusion from the ANZUS pact, linking

The Pacific pact, if and when it is finally completed, will extend the defensive arc against Communism around the world. It will balance NATO in Europe and the western hemisphere with a defence pact with the Latin American republics.

HIGH-LEVEL PROGRAMME

The survey held out the possibility that capital spending for all industry in 1954 might show practically no change from the over-all total of \$28.3 billion spending in 1953.

Leading industrials were under pressure most of the day. Tobacco shares were down sharply. Oil shares were lower. Royal Dutch lost 10/- and Anglo-Iranian more than 3 shillings. Shell ended the session unchanged but was marked down more than 2 shillings after the close.—United Press.

even plans firm up and outlays have already begun but the new boost in manufacturing plans, especially with the economic decline still on, is more than merely routine. It is a real demonstration of business confidence."

Like Shell's dividend, it is unchanged from that of 1962. The share on the stock exchange closed at 243½ sterling, do

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Amsterdam	10.20-10.25
Copenhagen	12.45-12.50
Paris	20.25-20.30
Stockholm	14.25-14.30
—United Press	

London Foreign Exchange

	London, Apr. 26
New York	2.11-2.11-1/2
Montreal	2.7-2.7-1/2
Amsterdam	10.25-10.24
Copenhagen	15.47-15.45
Paris	22.27-22.27
Stockholm	14.52-14.51
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Rockefeller Foundation Grant To HK Professor

New York, Apr. 26.
The Rockefeller Foundation, with headquarters here, announced today that it had made grants, during the first quarter of 1954 to further the study and research projects it fosters in various parts of the world.
Twenty-six individuals, including a Hongkong University professor, were given fellowships to study in the United States; two were given fellowships in England, and one, in Mexico, the fellows representing 16 countries.

Policy Speech By Malenkov

(Continued from Page 1)

and can shape the development of international relations and ensure the further gradual reduction of the international tension.

"The prerequisite of this is that the states concerned desire to co-operate on the basis of upholding the principle of equal rights and non-interference in the internal affairs of other states and the unconditional fulfillment of obligations they have undertaken."

"We abide by the opinion that in the present circumstances given the goodwill of the parties concerned and their readiness to take into account their common interests, involved international questions can and must be settled in the interests of strengthening of peace."

GIVEN ASSURANCE
"All friends and partisans of peace can be assured that the Soviet Union will in future conduct the policy of strengthening peace and friendship among people."

Tass reported that when he finished all members of the Council stood and accorded him "tempestuous and prolonged applause."
In his speech to the Supreme Soviet, Mr. Krushchev said Russia's proposals for strengthening business connections with all countries had met with warm approval except in the United States.

"United States Secretary of State Dulles falls ill with indignation where the Soviet Union is concerned. He talks in terms of a policy of rude force and tries to whip up war hysteria against the USSR, China, and the people's democracies."

"People of all countries condemn the policy of discrimination which the United States is carrying out against China. A policy which is bound to fail," he declared. "People of good sense know it is impossible to ignore the Chinese People's Republic with a population of 600 million."

"The people of the Soviet Union cannot be terrified."

NOT AFRAID
"From the first days of the birth of the Soviet Union threats have been made but the Soviet people are not afraid of threats. Hitler and his henchmen tried to fight her, tried to follow a policy of strength. But they were crazy. Everyone knows how the war ended. Hitler was beaten."

"Every new attempt will meet the same fate."

Speaking of Mr. Dulles, Krushchev commented: "Blind hatred is a bad counsellor."

"People like Dulles and his type do not like the Soviet Union and the Communist Party. Well, we also do not claim to have any sympathy for capitalism, which is exploiting millions of common people."

"But since both systems exist, they must and should co-operate."

Mr. Malenkov, President Voroshilov and other Soviet leaders were present when he spoke at the afternoon session of the Council of the Union.—Reuter.

Russian Citizen Sentenced

Oslo, Apr. 26.
A 45-year-old Russian citizen, Edwin Barnadovitch Hansen, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment by a Norwegian court today on charges, which included attempted espionage.
Hansen was sentenced in Carde, north Norway, for attempted espionage, illegal crossing of the Russo-Norwegian frontier and of giving false information about himself.—Reuter.

Comes Into Fortune



Twenty-four year old Augusto Popolano who has learned that she and her brother are the only ones to qualify for the fortune totalling millions of dollars left by her grandfather, Adolf Jungmann who emigrated from Vienna in 1900 to the United States to become a very rich man. Seventy heirs applied for the fortune when Jungmann died before the war—all with the exception of Augusto and her brother have been eliminated—and they expect to take over the fortune in the near future. Meanwhile Augusto works as wardrobe mistress at the Moulin Rouge night club in Vienna. —London Express Photo.

POLICE TRAINEES URGED TO

Maintain Force's Good Reputation

Mr A. R. S. Major, Assistant Commissioner of Police, said this morning that the Police force was constantly in the Public's eye, it had a good reputation, and efforts must be made to maintain it.

Accompanied by Mr R. H. Woodhead, ASP, Mr W. M. K. Gillies, chief instructor, Police Training School, and Insp. L. F. C. Guyatt, Parade Commander, Mr Major inspected 139 Police advanced trainees in a passing out parade at the Police Training School at Aberdeen at 10 a.m. this morning. Mr Major also took the salute at the march past.

The five squads passing out were one squad of 12 advanced trainees, one squad of 32 advanced trainees, one squad of 32 advanced trainees, and three squads of 95 advanced trainees police constables.

Addressing the graduates, Mr Major said that he was very much impressed by what he saw this morning. He told the graduates that they were members of the second advanced training course prepared for the Police force.

A good deal of time and energy, he pointed out, had been spent in preparing the course. He hoped that those having gone through the course had found it both interesting and instructive and would benefit from it.

"The real benefit, I hope, will come when you return to your units and apply what you have learned here into practice."

Mr Major then urged the officers and NCOs to remember particularly that the younger members of the force had yet much to learn and it was their duty to lead and guide them.

In conclusion, Mr Major said: "Finally, I would remind you that the Police force is constantly in the Public's eye. We have a good reputation and we must maintain it."

The Band of the Hongkong Police, under Mr W. B. Foster, ARCM, Director of Music, was in attendance throughout the ceremony.

Wind Signal Up

The local strong wind signal was hoisted by the Royal Observatory at 10.30 a.m. today.

HK MINES MEETING

"The accounts reflect the working of the Company's lead mining property at Lin Ma Hang, New Territories, for part of a one-year operating contract which commenced in March, 1953. The profit for the year after providing for Directors' Fees \$2,000 amounted to \$51,018.02 and this sum is set off against the accrued losses of \$82,618.01, leaving the accumulated loss for carrying forward to 1954 at \$30,997.33."

read Mr T. A. Martin's report at the annual meeting of Hongkong Mines, Limited, today.

The adoption of the Report and Accounts for 1953 was proposed by Mr Martin (Chairman) and seconded by Mr Lau Chun-kwok.

Messrs L. R. Nielson and T. A. Martin, Directors due to retire, were re-elected on the proposition of Mr Lok Ngai-shung, seconded by Mr C. Rocha.

The meeting concluded with the election of Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Auditors, for the ensuing year at a due to be arranged. This was proposed by Mr Martin and seconded by Mr G. Abbas.

Present at the meeting were: Messrs T. A. Martin, (Chairman); Mr G. Abbas, (Director); and C. A. Henderson, (Secretary).

SUBPOENAED WITNESSES TESTIFY IN WINDING-UP PETITION

A number of witnesses appeared on subpoena before Mr Justice T. J. Gould, acting Chief Justice, in the Supreme Court this morning for the purpose of producing documents relating to the sale of Bulova watches when hearing of the petition brought by J. J. O. King, merchant, for the winding-up of George Falconer and Co. (HK) Ltd, of Union Building, continued.

One witness also testified to the profits made by his firm, watch dealers, in the sale of Bulova watches.

Mr Kwok Lam-po, Chief Manager of the Wing On Co., Ltd, and Mr Daniel Au Ping-kwong, Secretary and Manager of the Sincere Co., Ltd, both produced documents relating to all benefits and privileges their companies had received from the sale of Bulova watches through the Bulova Watch Company's Far East representative.

Mr P. J. Hoen, Marine Superintendent of the Royal Inter-oceanic Line Ltd, appearing on subpoena, said he was unable to produce Admiralty chart No. 2637. The chart, he explained, had been destroyed. He produced a document relating to a number of charts, including No. 2637, which had been corrected by Falconers.

Mr T. K. Loong, of the Lam Yuen Fong Watch Co., also produced documents relating to the sale of Bulova watches. The documents, he said, related to cash discounts.

Another subpoenaed witness, Mr J. C. Aswood, Assistant Secretary of the South China Morning Post, Ltd, produced the issue of the S. C. M. Post for August 3, 1949, containing an advertisement on Page 1 relating to Bulova watches.

Mr Poon Fung-chik, clerk of the Wah Kiu Yat Po Ltd, who also appeared on subpoena, produced the issues of the Wah Kiu Yat Po for August 3 and 24, 1949, with advertisements relating to Bulova watches.

MADE A PROFIT
Mr Chung Chok-sun, clerk of the Lee On Watch Co., produced documents relating to Bulova watches and gave evidence in the matter on subpoena. He said he was correspondence clerk in his firm, where he had been employed for over six years. During that period the firm had been selling Bulova watches which had been obtained from the Far East representative of the Bulova Watch Co. He agreed that the Lee On Watch Company made a profit on the sale of these watches.

Mr Patrick Yu, one of the Counsel appearing for petitioners on the instructions of Mr M. A. da Silva, asked witness: "What are the benefits, if any, which your firm receives from the sale of Bulova watches?"

Witness: It is very hard to tell because prices vary from time to time. If business is good, we charge more, and if business is bad, we charge less.

What does the Bulova Watch Factory charge you?—There are various kinds of watches and prices are different.

\$10-ODD PROFIT
His Lordship: Assuming a watch is sold to you for US\$100, tell us what is the profit you are likely to make on that watch?

Witness: We would make a profit of HK\$10-odd.

Mr Yu: How is this HK\$10-odd gained?

Witness: This is obtained when we sell to a customer who comes to the shop and buys a watch at the market price.

Would there be a difference between the market price and the factory price?—Yes.

What other profits, if any, does your firm make?—Apart from this we can make some money through advertisement allowance, commission and discount or drawback tax.

Dealing with advertisement allowance, witness said there was a fixed scale by the Bulova Watch Factory. All depended on the amount of business done.

If his firm, for instance, did business up to a certain amount, then they would be allowed a certain advertisement fee.

FROM 1 TO 10 %
Mr Yu: Suppose your firm does between US\$10,000 and US\$20,000 business, what would it be?

Witness: One per cent. Suppose the business done is between US\$20,000 and US\$40,000—Two per cent.

Suppose it is between US\$40,000 and US\$70,000, what would it be?—In such case we would get between three and four per cent.

And if business exceeds US\$100,000?—I am not very clear about that, but at the most, it would be 10 per cent. The allowance is on a scale between one per cent and 10 per cent.

Dealing with profit, made through commission, witness said

his firm would get two per cent on ready-cash business. This was deducted from the invoice price.

As to drawback allowance, he said that some of the movements in Bulova watches were made in the United States, and some were made in Switzerland. There would be no benefit on drawback for US made movements, but drawback was obtained for watches with the Swiss movements. His firm would get US\$1.21 per watch.

Mr Yu: Suppose the Bulova Watch Factory were to invoice

you for US\$100 per watch, you would get these three benefits, advertisement allowance, commission and drawback allowance?

Witness: I cannot say definitely because advertisement fees are not reckoned by the watches, but we do get the other two benefits.

Has your firm ever purchased watches from Falconer's?—No.

Witness went on to produce documents relating to the sale of Bulova watches by his firm. The hearing is proceeding.

Man Found Guilty Of Murder

Cheung Cho-wah, 28, unemployed, smiled to his friends this morning after being sentenced to death for the murder of his common-law wife Lee Shun-chan, at the Supreme Court before Mr Justice C. W. Reece.

A jury of five women and two men brought in a verdict of guilty after an absence of 15 minutes.

Mr A. Hooton, QC, (Solicitor-General) assisted by Crown Counsel, Mr J. C. McRobert, prosecuted, and Mr Charles Losby, instructed by Mr W. I. Cheung acted for the accused.

Cheung had been charged with having murdered his wife on the evening of January 21 at her home at 77 Kam Shan Village with a triangular scraper. It was alleged in evidence that he had written a confession admitting the crime on being arrested in Hongkong on January 27.

He previously admitted that he had written the statement, but denied the part where he said he had stabbed his wife in a fit of anger.

Cheung had said in previous evidence that the last six lines of the statement had been written after he had been told to by the police.

During his submission to the jury Mr Losby, for the defence, said that he thought the Police had done their duty and had done nothing that could be challenged.

During his summing-up Justice Reece said he had taken many murder and other cases of a serious nature in the Supreme Court.

In nearly every case the accused, through their counsel, charged the police with having extracted statements under pressure.

THE FIRST TIME
He said this was the first time that an eminent counsel had found nothing wrong with the way the Police had handled a case. And he was very pleased to be able to record it.

Mr Hooton told the jury that there was no doubt that the accused had visited his wife and children on the evening of January 5.

The evidence of the nine-year-old boy, the amah and the young girl made the point clear.

The story that the accused told of leaving his wife in good health on the day of the incident was nonsense.

Mr Hooton said that even stronger evidence was when Cheung left the same night of the attack for Macao. It indicated that Cheung wanted to get away from what he had done.

As for the motive, said Mr Hooton, he was obviously not on friendly terms with his wife. He added that the case was proved against Cheung by the overwhelming evidence submitted in court.

Mr Losby told the jury that his task was not made any easier by the evidence of the accused yesterday.

He said that it was the custom in some parts of China that when another man committed adultery the complainant had to settle with the man or he would be in disgrace.

Justice Reece said that in this case the charge was one of murder. The blow that was struck was directly responsible for the woman's death. It was not a question of an accident as

Fatal NT Accident

A Chinese youth was killed instantly yesterday afternoon when he was knocked down by a military lorry at Au Tau crossing, border of Kam Tin and Un Long.

The lorry ran over Cheung Kam-pul, 20, as he was crossing the road.

Early Morning Car Crash

At 3 o'clock this morning Prince Edward Road residents were rudely awoken by piercing cries, a screeching of brakes and an ear-splitting crash.

A minute of indecision was followed by the opening of windows and the appearance of ground floor dwellers in their night attire.

Crowds made a dash for the railway bridge for directly under it lay a twisted black bulk. The car, a black Hillman Minx, had settled on its right side with its chassis facing the steps to the Diocesan Boys' School. Shattered glass was strewn all round the car as the driver was helped out and taken to Kowloon Hospital in a taxi.

The man, later identified as Cheung Sum-kit, 55, was bleeding profusely from the head. On arrival at hospital his condition was termed serious.

A Police report stated that Cheung was driving his car along Prince Edward Road shortly before 3 this morning when he saw a car heading toward him.

Cheung, who was travelling east when he saw the other car, applied brakes and attempted to turn into Yuen Po Street. He skidded, however, and careened to the right toward the bridge.

Cheung's condition was reported to be fair this morning.

WRECKED PLANE FOUND

Buenos Aires, Apr. 26.
The wreckage of a transport plane which crashed and burst into flames on Friday night with 25 people on board was found in central Argentina today. It is not yet known if there are survivors.

The transport on a routine 300-mile flight from Mendoza to Cordoba was diverted from its route by a storm.—Reuter.

Troopship Given New Look

The 22,445-ton troopship HMT Asturias arrived from the United Kingdom this morning bearing a new coat of white paint with a blue band around her hull similar to the other troopships. She was formerly painted black.

She brought replacement troops and a number of service families. Sailing for the UK with time-experienced troops and Service families was the troopship Dilwara. Some members of the Dilwara's Moroccan Bay were among the passengers.

What's His Line? Solution

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"Yesterday my piggy bank weighed more than that—wonder if somebody's getting fat on my money!"

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